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Gosser And UAW Friends Start Drive For Pension Plan For All Aged Ohioans

To Seek $100 Monthly For All Over 65

Mass Meeting To Outline Plan Will Be Called In State

Richard Gosser, International Vice-President and UAW friends took the first step to start a drive to win a $100 a month pension for all aged Ohioans. The initial step was taken when Mr. Gosser, through a letter, instructed the law firm of Lamb, Goerlich and Mack, union attorneys, to draw up in brief form, the entire Ohio State Old Age Pension Laws, since passed and all amendments.

Includes Workers

The plan of Mr. Gosser and the UAW friends would make pensions of $100 a month possible to all those 65 years old and over along with a recommendation that "people being retired from factories who get $100 and those who get $100 a month from Federal Social Security would also be covered."

Plan Amendments

The attorneys were instructed by Mr. Gosser to map amendments on that plan including those provisions. Under this plan the people in the State who do not conform with the present rules and law, or those who do not get a pension from a plant or Federal Government would automatically receive a State pension.

No Paupers Oath

The plan calls for an amendment to the law which would not require a "pauper's oath" in order to get a pension or to sign away property.

Mr. Gosser intends to call a mass meeting of the aged in the State to have them get behind the campaign. He will challenge office seekers to state their position on the Old Age Pension Plan before the elections. He said, "I believe organized labor should help sponsor a program beneficial to all the aged. I don't think anyone needs help any more than those who have passed the age where they cannot obtain employment.

Gosser's Letter

A copy of the full text of letter sent to the union attorneys follows:

Messrs. Lamb, Goerlich & Mack
Edison Building
Toledo, Ohio

Dea rSirs:

I want you to draw up, in brief form, the entire Ohio State Old Age Pension Laws, since passed, and all the amendments. Then I want you to write up some new amendments to the law wherein a person in the State of Ohio does not have to take a pauper's oath in order to get the pension or sign their property over.

I want further amendments to make it possible for any person in the State of Ohio, who does not have pension rights, to get a pension in the amount of $100 per month for age 65 or over. The point will be raised by the legislature where the revenue should come from to pay for such a plan. That is the responsiblity of the State Legislature body.

In another section, alone and separate, there should be a recommendation that would read: "people being retired from factories who get $100 and those who get $100 from Federal Social Security, would be covered." If there are some people in our state who do not conform with the rules and laws, where they do not get from a plant or from the government, they should get from the state.

I intend to call mass meetings of the aged in the State of Ohio, to have them get behind this campaign. Further, I intend that those who run for office should be challenged on their position of the Old Age Pension before

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Unemployment Benefit Boost To Be Retroactive To Aug. 22

Payments On Difference Of Compensation Expected To Be In The Mails Shortly

The difference between the payments of new benefits and the payments under the old act will be paid to the unemployment workers receiving compensation. Payments will be retroactive to Aug. 22 when the new law was put into effect.

Within Two Weeks

Workers who filed previous to Aug. 22 but are receiving payments as allowed under the old law will receive the difference in approximately two weeks according to Norman Meyers, of the Local 12 Unemployment and Compensation Dept. Mr. Meyers said that was the information he received from Edward Bodette, Toledo manager of the Ohio State Unemployment Bureau.

ULC Really Helped

The new benefits were won through the efforts of the United Labor Committee in Toledo and the State CIO Council.

Under the old act payments were $21 for 21 weeks with the new act boosting the payments to $25 including $2.50 for each dependent with maximum of $5. Payments under the new act are extended to 26 weeks.

Supreme Court Rules

The ruling to pay the difference in the compensation was handed down by the Ohio State Supreme Court. A group of Ohio employers attempted to block payment of the difference of the compensation payments and the move was fought by the Ohio CIO Council which eventually ended up before the Supreme Court.

The decision was hailed by the CIO as a great victory for the workers over the employers.

Workers also were granted the additional four weeks allowed under the new act for unemployment checks.

Special AWBC Meeting Feb. 3

To Act On Reuther Committee Request

A special meeting of the Automotive Workers Building Corp. will be held Friday, Feb. 3 at 8 p. m. it was announced by Howard Seren, Vice President of the AWBC.

The special meeting, which will be held in Parlor A at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St., will have the members act on the request of a committee appointed by Walter Reuther, International UAW-CIO President to inspect the AWBC books.

The investigation of the local activities is being investigated at the request of Richard Gosser, International UAW-CIO Vice President and who is president of the AWBC.

Serving on the committee are Emil Mazey, International UAW-CIO Secretary-Treasurer, and International UAW Executive Board Members Edward Cote and George Burt.

On the request of Mr. Gosser, the findings of the committee inspection is to be submitted to the International Executive Board.

Nominations For Local 12 Officers Feb. 10

Will Take Place At Regular Monthly Meeting At Local

Nomination for officers of Local 12, UAW-CIO for 1950 will be held at the next regular monthly meeting, on Friday, Feb. 10 at the Local headquarters, 425 Withrop St. it was announced by Howard Seren, President of Local 12.

Elections will be conducted the same month on a date to be voted on at the meeting, he said.

Also to be named is an election committee which will conduct the annual election.

Toledo Scales Skilled Trades Meet Tomorrow

An important meeting of skilled trades workers at the Toledo Scale will be held tomorrow (Saturday) at 10 a.m. in Local 12 Hall, 425 Winthrop St.

Important matters are to be discussed, according to the officers.

The regular meeting of the Northwestern Ohio Skilled Trades Council will be held on Monday, Feb. 7 in Parlor I at Local 12 headquarters. The

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Box Total On Donations To Pension Publicity Fund

Wk. End. 1-21-50		Total to Date	Wk. End. 1-21-50		Total to Date
Airway		$ 3.45	Local 913		$ 1.00
As. Products		7.72	Local 497		37.64
Am. Brake	$ .51	.83	M. Parry	$ 1.49	12.07
Am. Fl. Surf.	6.83	6.83	Mather		21.05
Ayling	2.50	22.00	Plaskon		64.19
Local 11 UAW		100.00	Pipe Thread.	10.51	10.51
Lo. 1058 UAW		200.00	Pr. Steel		11.68
Bingham		32.18	R. Randolph		3.64
Bliss	14.07	69.07	Rath. Jones		7.65
But. & Hart	4.07	4.07	Lo. 346, Oil		100.00
Buckeye Pt.		5.07	Sheets El.		.95
Burt Fdry.		4.54	Spicer	3.70	3.70
Champion		101.00	Swartz.		12.63
City Mach.		10.33	Std. Comm.	4.42	4.42
DeVilbiss		12.51	Tillotson	7.40	14.28
Formed St.		2.55	Tol. Porc.		12.58
Ind. Heat	1.21	7.24	Tol. Scale		25.00
Laclede	1.81	1.81	Tol. Stamp	3.87	3.87
Kent Owens	6.40	6.40	Tol. Tube	1.04	1.04
Tol. Mach.	22.86	69.56	W. O.	17.71	577.71
Local 105	20.00	20.00	Lo. 975		100.00
S. M. Jones		5.10	A. P. Parts		25.00
Local 16		10.70	Bunting		25.00
Local 493		12.07	Lo. 12 Meet.		26.00
Lakeside		10.46	Welever Ring	1.17	1.17

Total Date Ending Jan. 14, 1950 ..... $1,735.35
Collected Week Ending Jan. 21, 1950 ..... 103.88

GRAND TOTAL TO DATE $1,839.23

Negotiations To Begin For Area Pension Plan

Union Journal

Inquiring Reporter

With negotiations to begin on the Area Pension Plan in the Toledo and area plants the Union Journal inquiring reporter is on a jaunt around the plants to get the workers opinion on the pension plan and being relayed through these columns.

The question asked: "What is your opinion of the Toledo Area Pension Plan."

The answers as given by these workers employed at the Champion Spark Plant in Toledo:

CARRIE SLATTERY, Dept. D. Has worked in the plant for 28 years and is 73 years old.

Carrie says: "I think the pension plan is a wonderful thing. I intend to retire as soon as I can collect a pension. I had it tough for 27 years due to illness of my husband, if we had pension and health plan then—it wouldn't have been so tough on me. I'm ready to take it easy."

Carrie Slattery — Geo. Ovitt

GEORGE OVITT, Dept. D. Has worked in the plant 28 years and is 79 years old.

George says: "I think the Pension Plan is all right. I'm going to take it easy as soon as I get the pension. I have been married for over 57 years and I intend to retire and spend all my time with my wife.

VIRGIL UNDERDOWN, Dept. D. Has worked in the plant 1½ years and is 36 years old. Married and has 2 children.(Formerly employed at Spicer.)

Virgil says: "Hell, yes, I'm for the pension, why wouldn't I be for it? My wife believes the Pension Plan is all right. All workers should be for the Pension Plan especially the area plan which is better than any company plan."

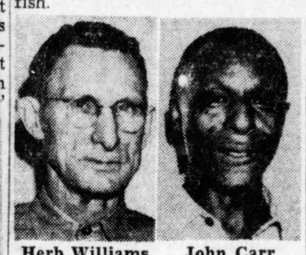
Virgil Underdown — Marcella Cottrell

MARCELLA COTTRELL, Dept. E. Has worked in the plant for 6½ years and is 26 years old, married and has one child.

Marcella says: "Pension Plan is good as far as I know. My husband is in school. I don't think I'll work long enough to retire but I want the Pension Plan because if my husband works in a UAW plant, he will get the benefits. The Health Plan is very important as well as the pension.

HERB WILLIAMS, Dept. E. Has worked in the plant for 36 years and is 57 years old.

Herb says: "65 years for retirement is too long to wait, it should be at 60 years. Sure I believe in the Pension Plan. I want to live on $100 a month—not starve on $25. I won't do any work when I retire—just fish.



Herb Williams — John Carr

JOHN CARR, Dept. H. Has worked in the plant for 7 years and is 46 years old.

John says: "If the union is for the pension, I am too. I'm all for it. When I get the pension, I will retire and work on my farm. All my friends, those I talked to about the pension, like the idea."

TIUC Delegates Support UAW Area Pension

Group Also Condemns Toledo Blade On Shyster Tactics

Delegates to the Toledo Industrial Union Council, CIO by unanimous vote approved to support the Toledo Area Pension Plan at the regular monthly meeting Monday night at the TIUC Hall, 611 Huron St.

The group also in a resolution condemned the Toledo Blade on the shyster and smear tactics as published by Paul Block, Jr. (Blade publisher).

Will Aid And Assist

The delegates, in the resolution to support the Area Pension Plan, included that "it will aid and assist the UAW in any way we can in their all out fight (UAW) which has just gotten under way since the written pension proposal is being submitted to employers in the UAW-CIO."

The delegates also voted approval of a resolution for co-ordination of all unions into an effort that will eventually bring into existence a second daily newspaper in Toledo.

Frank King, State Representative was guest speaker at the meeting.

More Willys Workers Have Checks Coming

An additional list of names of Wilys-Overland workers who have checks waiting for them in the pay-roll office is being published this week in the Union Journal.

Listed are the names of the workers who have failed to pick up their checks for pay periods ending October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30.

When applying for the check the listed workers are requested to furnish the paymaster with full name, badge number and the pay period for which they have check forthcoming.

Checks are requested to be picked up as soon as possible to ease the bookkeeping in the Willys-Overland pay-roll office.

Pay Ending 10-2-49

190330	Walter Malinowski
209186	Clarence W. Segur
234325	Tom C. Potter
330102	Norman C. Jimison
423009	Alex Rummelsburg
423011	Alvin W. Voss

Pay Ending 10-9-49

104002	Leonard F. Hester
105005	Farley Denniss
123004	William Henning
123021	Vasile Balay
165010	Garland Hudson
169192	Alexander Tanasy
190061	Charles Wiedinger
190418	John Gancheff
267810	Hazel V. Elcess
268016	T. A. Zelmanski
268035	James V. Dyal
268044	Charles Willeford
268067	F. J. Ostapowicz
268073	Richard J. Eckel
306013	Andrew J. Wilson

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Catholic Annual Pontifical Mass Sunday Jan. 29

Will Mark Start Of Glorious Holy Year For Confraternity

CIO members and the public in general are invited to attend the Third Annual Solemn Pontifical Mass of the Confraternity on Sunday, Jan. 29 at 10 a.m. in St. Francis de Sales Church.

Celebrant will be Most Reverend Karl J. Alter, Bishop of Toledo. A procession will preceed the Bishop's entrance. The lay marchers will be the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, The Color Guard of the Catholic War Veterans, public officials, the officers of the various City-wide Catholic Societies, Representatives of Professions and Special Groups together with the Confraternity Captains and Acolytes.

The marchers are requested to assemble at 9:30 a.m. in the basement of St. Francis de Sales Church, Superior and Cherry Streets.

12 Toledo Plants Receive Detailed Request From UAW

Letter Says Basic Approach Is Not New Or Untried, And Concerns Community

Twelve Toledo industries received a detailed letter from the UAW-CIO in Toledo which was signed by Richard Gosser, International UAW-CIO Vice-President and Charles Ballard, Region 2-B UAW-CIO Director on talks for a workers retirement income and health security program.

Plants receiving letters to date are: Plaskon, DeVilbiss, E. W. Bliss, Toledo Scale, National Supply, Surface Combustion, S.M. Jones, Toledo Steel Tube, Mather Spring, Acklin Stamping, Peters Stamping and Champion Spark Plug.

The letter as presented invites the management representatives for a most careful study and evaluation of this proposal for a retirement income and health insurance program for Toledo workers. It added that when study of this proposal plan is completed specific questions and discussions can be arranged with the Union.

Concerns Workers, Community

The letter goes on to say that this plan concerns workers and employers and no less a concern to the total community. In fact, all who accept responsibility for or are affected by the welfare of the Toledo community, have a real interest in a worker's security program that is going to assure income for workers retired for reasons of age or incapacity, a program that is going to maintain purchasing power for the worker and his family when he is unable to work for reasons of sickness or accident and a program that will assure payments of necessary bills."

The UAW-CIO herewith submits supplementary material to the Union's initial proposal and prior presentation for a retirement income and health security program for Toledo workers covered by agreement between the UAW-CIO International Union and the various UAW-CIO Local Unions and employers in the Toledo area. We invite your most careful study and evaluation of this proposal and request that when your study of this proposed plan is completed representatives of our Union discuss with you any specific questions you may have.

The details of this plan have been prepared in cooperation with the UAW-CIO Social Security Department. Considerable care has been given in the formulation of this proposal to prepare a program that will, to the fullest and most practicable extent, meet the urgent need of Toledo workers for a retirement income and health security program. Extensive efforts have been made to learn the needs of Toledo workers in relation to retirement income protection when they are unable to work because of age or incapacity and in relation to hospital and medical care services. At the same time we have given attention to the special problems of employers in the Toledo area with particular reference to those problems created by a large number of small employee groups. In every manner possible we have given priority to the development of a program that will be actuarially sound on a conservative basis as well as administratively feasible. The basic approach outlined here is not new or untried.

In preparation of this proposal for presentation to the Toledo community of employers the Union has been fully aware of the problems involved in finding a method which would bring optimum advantages to the workers for whom it is designed and at the same time be entirely reasonable from the point of view of the employer. Although this plan concerns workers and employers, it is no less a concern of the total community. For this reason the UAW-CIO believes that this program must be reviewed as well as a community development. Community Chest and public relief officials, physicians and hospitals, merchants and landlords, in fact all who accept responsibility for or are affected by the welfare of the Toledo community, have a very real interest in a worker's security program that is going to assure income for workers retired for reasons of age or incapacity, a program that is going to maintain purchasing power for the worker and his family when he is unable to work for reasons of sickness or accident and a program that will assure payment of hospital and doctor bills when the worker or members of his family must be hospitalized.

Toledo public and private welfare agencies will find a lightening of their burden of caring for needy families when this program is placed into effect. Hospitals will have fewer patients who cannot pay their bills and physicians will be able to render the kind of care they know is needed by hospitalized patients without fear that the economic cost to the worker of diagnostic and treatment services is more than he or his family can bear. Merchants will find fewer unpaid bills among retired workers. Families stricken with a major illness will not be confronted with bankruptcy and grocers and landlords will find that the impact of illness on families does not mean accumulation of debt and default of prior commitments. Because Toledo workers will have a measure of security against old age and illness, savings can be planned for education of children, to finance purchase of homes and other items improving community standards—purposes which are now frequently thwarted by the lack of protection against common hazards. Over a period of five to ten years this program will prove to be one of the greatest, if not the greatest, contribution of UAW-CIO to the Toledo community—it is in this spirit and with this belief that the attached program is given to you for study and collective bargaining action.

The UAW-CIO is prepared to supply any supplementary information that you may wish. Our work sheets, our studies on assumptions affecting cost, our actuarial methods and the services of our technical and professional staff will be made freely available for discussion with you and others in the community who wish to evaluate the plan.

We are interested in building a program that is in the public interest and which is at the same time sound economic and social policy because only with these objectives will we bring a substantial measure of security into the lives of workers and their families. It is with these goals uppermost in mind that negotiations with you will be conducted on the program outlined in this document.

We recognize that by now the pension plan has been released to the employers and they have had a chance to study same. We also recognize the fact that somehow, some way, we must get started on this. For that reason, we feel it important that we meet with representatives of your corporation and the representatives of your plant committee not later than one day during the week of January 23.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Charles Ballard, Director, Region 2-B, UAW-CIO — **Richard Gosser, Vice President, International Union, UAW-CIO**

Pension Negotiations Begin

NEGOTIATIONS on the regional pension plan will begin this week in 12 UAW plants in Toledo. The Blade and John Bolman may continue their character assassination campaign against Dick Gosser, but the company representatives they would help, are going to have something more important to talk about.

Management will no longer be able to say they don't know what the UAW is asking for its Region 2-B members. The detailed plan will be put before them in language anyone can understand. No longer can they yell to the public that it is a bankrupt-Toledo scheme. People know 12 cents is only 12 cents, not too much to a "going" factory.

In short, the union is now putting into action its plans for full-scale bargaining. And you will not be long kept in the dark as to the price management is prepared to demand of you, before they publicly acknowledge that 12 cents for pensions and health security is not an unreasonable demand.

Union progress is made by the sacrifices of its individual members. Older members of the UAW, those who would benefit first from pensions, konw well the price tag which management put on a strong union 15 years ago when the UAW was being molded into an effective organization. A similar price may be asked of you before your negotiators can convince management to give the UAW decent pensions.

Strikes are unpleasant to everyone involved. They are unprofitable, at the moment, to both unions and management. They are to be avoided where possible. But when collective bargaining breaks down before it starts, such as it has on the

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Newspapers Ignore Big Profit Story Officially Released

WASHINGTON (LPA)—A spot check by Labor Press Association has disclosed that for the second time in a single week, the nation's daily newspapers have censored or failed to report a major news story from Washington of vital interest to all American citizens.

The story a sensational report by the Federal Trade Commission disclosing that most of big business is making a profit of 20 per cent, after all taxes, as compared with about half that before the war. The Federal Trade Commission report, one of the most important profit stories to break in Washington in many years, was officially released for Thursday papers and was available to all newspapers.

A spot check by Labor Press Association in key cities discloses that most newspapers ignored the story entirely. Whether the press associations carried it, and it was censored by the papers themselves, or whether the press associations also ignored the story, is not yet disclosed.

The New York Times, which theoretically publishes all the news that is fit to print, carried the sensational page which most readers do not read. Its story was less than half a column long, and played down some of the most sensational angles of the sharp profit rise. The New York Herald-Tribune did not carry the story at all.

The Washington Post, one of the most liberal dailies, left the story out entirely, as did the other Washington papers.

The Journal of Commerce, financial paper published in New York, carried less than half a column and ignored the sweeping character of the FTC survey.

This is the second time the daily newspapers have ignored a major economic story breaking in Washington this week.

Last Monday Senators Paul Douglas (D., Ill.) and Russell Long (D., La.) held a special press conference to release an unusual statement by 70 of the nation's leading economists warning that the basing point bill now before the Senate would gut the anti-trust laws. This was made available to all newspapers, but was not even mentioned in most of them.

Whether these evidences of one-sided reporting are the result of deliberate policy by America's big daily newspapers, or the result of a blind spot in their judgment of news, makes little difference. The American people have been left in ignorance of two very important developments that could affect their pocketbooks for many years to come.

Probe Of Lever Soap Cartel To Proceed

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Resignation of Charles Luckman as president of Lever Bros. Co.—one of the big three which dominate the soap and related industries here—will not stop plans of the House Monopoly Committee to hear him in February, Chairman Emanuel Celler (D, N.Y.) announced. "The subcommittee desires to find out to what extent products manufactured, distributed and used in our country are affected by this huge cartel" which has ties with Unilever Ltd. in Great Britain and Unilever N.V. in the Netherlands, as well as in many other nations, Celler asserted. He's especially interested in finding out how prices of soap and related products, including oleomagarine, are affected by the cartel operations.

No reason has yet been given by Luckman for his sudden resignation, except that he had disagreements involving policy with other Lever Bros., and Unilever officials.

Chrysler Strike Of 90,000 Set For Jan. 25 By UAW

DETROIT (LPA)—The CIO United Auto Workers has notified the Chrysler Corp. that a nation-wide strike of 90,000 workers will start Jan. 25 unless a satisfactory pension and insurance settlement is reached meanwhile. **(Chrysler workers walked out Wednesday at 10 a.m.)** The seven-day strike notice required by Michigan law was handed to company negotiators Jan. 18.

The notice was given after the union rejected the company's proposals as "completely inadequate." UAW Chrysler director Norman Matthews dubbed the offer "cheap and shoddy."

The company offered a $100 pension (including social security), at 65 after 25 years' service. However, the price tag was an extension of the contract for five years, which would mean freezing all working conditions to 1955. The present contract expires August 1, and Matthews said the Chrysler workers are unwilling to extend the present terms "five minutes, let alone five years."

The pension plan, said the union, is unsound because there is no provision for commitment as to fixed payments into a trust fund; there is no provision for a jointly-administered trust fund; the eligibility rules proposed would disqualify thousands of workers. The health security proposals, said the union, are a sham, and in effect no offer at all. Total cost of the proposed pension program and all other provisions would come to less than 5 cents an hour, the union charged. "Chrysler workers will not rely on a vague promise to pay pensions," Matthews said. "They want a fool-proof program where money is accumulating in a trust. The freeze is ridiculous."

Walter Reuther, UAW president, stepped into the negotiations Jan. 19, and the state labor mediation prepared to step in if necessary.

Unions Worked Hard On Rule Change Fight

WASHINGTON (LPA)—All wings of organized labor mobilized in the hard-fought battle over an attempt to set the House rules back so that the reactionary-dominated Rules Committee could block important legislation.

While working closely with Administration leaders, the union spokesmen also claim credit for swing many of the crucial Republican votes which helped retain the liberal rule.

"The single most important vote of this session," Labor's League For Political Education Director Joseph Keenan called it. CIO President Philip Murray, in a message to House leaders, said the issue was clear: "Shall a small coalition operating unrestrainedly in the Rules Committee be permitted to thwart the will of Congress and the people?"

Biemiller Clears Away AMA's Artificial Fog

WASHINGTON (LPA) — All that American Medical Association is doing by its $5,000,000 campaign against national heatlh insurance is to throw up a screen of artificial fog to abscure the real facts, Rep. Andrew Biemiller (D, Wis.) told the legislative conference of the Brotherhood of Railway & Steamship Clerks here Jan. 19.

He called on the AMA to set forth the facts about the diffences between the British health progra mand te health insurance proposal now before the Congress.

"They reveal their ignorance of what national health insurance really is, "Biemiller said of the doctors, "when they use the English system as a basis of comparison. Compulsory health insurance is not even directly comparable to socialized medicine."

"All specialists and hospitals are under the direct control of the central government in England," Biemiller explained. "We propose nothing of the kind here."

"Only the advertising agency now fronting for the AMA would attempt to confuse people by using the word socialism," said Biemiller. He referred to Whitaker & Baxter, the firm being paid $100,000 a year by the doctors, to put on a high-pressure drive to block health insurance, federal aid to medical schools, federal aid for school children's health services, and all other measure to remove what Biemiller called "the dollar bill stands between the doctors and a healthy America."

Ex-Mayor Hoan To Run For Senate

MILWAUKEE (LPA) — Daniel W. Hoan, 68, mayor of Milwaukee for 24 years, has announced he will seek the Democratic nomination for Senator, for the post now held by Alexander Wiley, Republican. Hoan declared "I stand squarely back of the New Deal and the Fair Deal, as expressed in the platform of the Democratic party." He became a member of the Democratic party in 1942, and as its candidate for governor in 1944, polled 536,000 votes.

Senate To Have Labor Peace Probe

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Senate Labor Committee has voted unanimously to ask the Senate for a $108,000 fund to carry on an investigation of labor-management relations, in preparation of a report due in December 1950.

Meeting Jan. 20, the Senators okayed the proposal, brought in by the subcommittee headed by Sen. James Murray (D. Mont.).

Clothing Workers Open Hillman Foundation Drive

Million Dollar Goal Campaign Includes Inauguration Of Awards

Trustees of the million dollar Sidney Hillman Foundation, named after the late president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO, have allocated $42,500 for scholarships, grants-in-aid, for 1950 to perpetuate the labor-management relations and other interests in the broad field of social welfare.

A $10,000 grant-in-aid was made to the social science department of the University of Chicago, covering a two-year period, to make a thorough analysis of school and college textbooks for the purpose of rooting out the teaching of prejudice and discrimination.

For the first time, in 1950, the foundation is setting up Hillman prize awards, which will be an annual event, in daily and labor journalism, the national magazine field, radio and television, fiction, theatre and motion pictures. Five hundred dollars each will be awarded for the best series of newspaper articles, the best editorial, the best magazine piece, the best radio or television broadcast, the best work of fiction, the best play and film "dealing with a labor theme and honestly portraying the labor struggle."

It is expected that the Hillman prize awards will rank with the Pulitzer and Guggenheim prizes in their respective fields.

Jacob S. Potofsky, president of the Sidney Hillman Foundation and Hilman's successor as Amalgamated president, said that $1,000 has been set aside for the annual Hillman award for meritorious achievement, the recipient to be announced later. Last year Senator Frank P. Graham, former president of the University of North Carolina, won this award.

Hillman, labor leader's conception of

Fair House Rule Upheld

WASHINGTON (LPA) — A smashing victory for democracy in the House of Representatives, and a go-ahead signal for large part's of President Truman's Fair Deal, where scored Jan. 20 when the House voted 236 to 182 to keep the liberal rule approved by the House in anuary 1949. The sustained rule allows committee chairmen to by-pass the reactionary-dominated Rules Committee 21 days after it asks for clearance. Union heads call this the most significant vote of the session. Vote found Dixiecrats siding with Republican leaders. Some liberal GOPers jumped the traces in the other direction.

New Area Pastors To Visit Unions

CHICAGO (LPA) — The Chicago Church Federation is starting a program for new ministers in the area; visits to union headquarters. The first such tour will be Jan. 23. Denying the accusation that church policies and programs are built around middle class businessmen and the few wealthy members, the announcement says "The union holds the key to the worker today. By knowing the union you can know both the problems and poys, hopes and disappointments —the key to oportunity for the laboring man."

Labor Unity Shown In Political Rally At Durham, N. C.

DURHAM, N. C. (LPA) — More than 700 representatives of AFL, CIO and unaffiliated unions attended a state-wide rally of the United Labor Political Committee of North Carolina at Durham, Jan. 18. There were no free rides either, for admission to the barbecue was $5.

Joseph D. Keenan, national director of the AFL Labor's League for Political Education, described the event as "one of the most brightening things in the whole South." Chairman Jack Kroll of the CIO Political Action Committee said "its neighbor's to the south might look to North Carolina to see how far they can move." The South, he emphasized, "can solve its own problems."

Governor W. Kerr Scott, third big speaker at the meeting made it a kick-off point for labor political activity in the state. In addition to the LLPE and PAC, the Railroad Brotherhoods, the Int'l Association of Machinists and the Hosiery Workers wer represented. All expressed confidence that liberal Senator Frank Graham, appointed by the governor to fill a Senate vacancy last year, can be elected to his important post for a six-year term in November.

The "100% cooperation" shown at the rally is necessary, Keenan told the group, to make such victories possible. "If we don't act now," he pointed out, "with real enterprise in the American tradition, we will find ourselves back where we were in 1936."

Declaring union members can solve many of their economic problems through political action, Kroll warned that the "reactionaries are counting on the failure of the people to vote."

Call John Lewis Before Senate Committee

WASHINGTON (LPA) — United Mine Worker's President John L. Lewis and the director of the Federal Bureau of Mines have been invited to auuear before the Senate Labor Commitee Jan. 25.

The committee last week heard a handful of Republican Senators who are sponsoring a resolution, now in the hands of the committee, demanding that President Truman invoke the Taft-Hartley law in the coal dispute.

No reply from eithe Lewis or the federal official was expected before Monday, Jan. 23.

Big Business Ups Profits

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Federal Trade Commission has published a report showing many of the nation's biggest industries made about 20 per cent profit on their capital investment, after all taxes, in 1948 as compared with about half that in 1940. The biggest profit increases came in the most concentrated industries. A day or two earlier General Motors announced profits of more than $600,000,000 in 1949, or more than any company ever made in a similar period.

Pension Benefits Increased To $120

NEW YORK (LPA) — Pension benefits for 8100 members of Local 3, Int'l Brotherhood of Electrical Workers-AFL, have just been increased from $110 to $120. The rate will be increased to $130 in 1955, and to $140 in 1960. The 8100 are the heavy construction men who are covered by the pension fund. The local has 30,000 members. The local's goal is to have the entire organization under a single welfare program.

Labor, Church, Civic Heads Protest Store's Newspaper Pressure

PORTLAND, Ore (LPA) — The management of the Meier & Frank Department store here stirred up a city-wide hornet's nest when they tried to slap down the Portland Oregonian, one of the West's leading newspapers.

Meier & Frank cancelled large chunks of advertising after the Oregonian published the news that an NLRB trial examiner had issued a decision against the store in an unfair labor case brought by the AFL Retail Clerks. The Oregan Journal, a rival paper, printed a less revealing story and lost no advertising.

When Meier & Frank's apparent pressure tactics became known, the fur began to fly. The Portland Central Labor Council-AFL pressed two strong resolutions protesting the store's action "as an attack on the free press that strikes at the very root of democratic government and a free society." One resolution said, "No newspaper is worthy of the classification as such which suppresses news of interest to its community, particularly if such is done to favor an advertiser, thereby attempting to keep the public in ignorance." The Oregonian was commended for its stand.

The Portland local of the American Newspaper Guild-CIO condemned Meier & Frank's "use of economic pressure" in equally strong language.

The Multomah County Young Democrats and Democratic Central Committee commended the Oregonian for printing a story that might bring reprisals from its largest advertiser. An official of the Retail Clerks said that many labor, church and civic groups were complaining of Meier & Frank's action.

Aaron Frank, manager of the store, insisted the advertising space in the Oregonian was cancelled because cold and snow were keeping shoppers home. However, labor unions and others pointed out that the firms advertising was still being placed in the Journal. They wondered whether Meier & Frank's considered Journal readers a hardier breed than the Oregonian subscribers.

Congress Partly Plugs Tax Loophole On Insurance

WASHINGTON (LPA)—The House Ways and Means Committee has voted to impose $90,000,000 taxes on the nation't life insurance companies for 1947-48-49, to partially plug a loop-hole in existing tax laws.

This compromise settlement amounts to a very small levy, since the companies earned 4½ billion over the three year period. Some of the insurance companies are reported planning a court challenge, charging retroactive taxation, but most of them have agreed to the settlement, probably on the grounds that if they don't Congress can hit them much harder from now on.

Senate Passes Oleo Tax Repeal Bill

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Federal oleomargarine taxes will soon be a thing of the past, when House and Senate conferees compromise minor differences between their respective repealer bills.

Senate action came late Jan. 18, when, after a series of amendments had been beaten down, the tax repeal measure was passed, 56 to 16. Only four Democrats Humphrey of Minnesota, Magnuson of Wash., Taylor of Idaho and Thomas of Utah) joined 1 Republicans in opposing the tax repeal on the final vote.

Earlier, the Senate had defeated two civil rights riders offered by Sen. William Langor (R. ND) by votes of 60 to 20 and 59 to 17. It also tabled his offer of the FEPC bill as a substitute, 59 to 17. In all three cases, civil rights advocates opposed Langer's attempt to tie their bills to the oleo measure in an effort to defeat the tax repealer.

Also licked by a narrower margin was an amendment by Sen. Hugh Butler (R. Nebr.) to repeal wartime excise taxes on "luxuries." This went down to defeat, 43 to 32.

$37,020 Left To Union By Veteran Member

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Fred B. Hutchings, of Syracuse, N. Y., has left $37,020 to the National Association of Letter Carriers-AFL, for the union's fund for a new home in Washington. Hutchings, a veteran member of the union, built up his estate by careful investments. A postman, he was killed in an automobile accident.

The $37,020 gift brought the union's building fund over the $300,000 mark. The rest came from membership dues and a batch of small contributions. Land has been acquired at First Street and Indiana Ave. NW, overlooking the Capitol. An 8-story building, faced by Georgia marble. is to be erected on the site, President William C. Doherty announced. Specifications have been completed, and contractors' bids are being called in this week. Doherty said the union hopes to have the building completed by the end of 1950. The Letter Carriers plan to occupy two floors and rent out the rest, preferably to other unions.

From Sweden Tn Arkansas

KENOSHA, Wis. (LPA) — Labor solidarity stretched from Stockholm to Little Rock, Ark. this week, with the contribution to strike funds for employes of the Arkansas Gazette from members of the Kenosha-Racine unit of the American Newspaper Guild-CIO. That's because Elmer Beck, labor information officer for the ECA mission to Sweden and former editor of Kenosha Labor, is a duespaying member of the unit. The contribution was $1 a member of the unit here, President George Poredon announced.

Murray, Other Top Labor Leaders Back Dinners for Roosevelt

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Eight top union leaders—AFL, CIO and independent—head labor's participation in the second annual Roosevelt Day Dinners in 18 cities. The first dinner was held Jan. 21 in Chattanooga, Tenn. The last two were scheduled for Jan. 30, FDR's birthday, in Columbus, Ohio, and Baltimore, Md.

Philip Murray, president of the CIO, and William Green, president of the AFL, are vice-chairmen of the Nat'l Committee for Roosevelt Day. Co-chairmen of the national labor committee supporting FDR Day are David Dubinsky, president of the Int'l Ladies Garment Workers Union-AFL; Hugo Ernst, president of the Hotel & Restaurant Workers-AFL; Al Hayes, president of the Int'l Ass'n of Machinists; W. P. Kennedy, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers-CIO; and Emil Rieve, president of the Textile Workers-CIO.

Co-chairmen of the Nat'l Committee for Roosevelt Day are Gov. Chester Bowles of Connecticut, Sen. Herbert Lehman of New York and playwright Robert E. Sherwood. Dinners are sponsored by Americans for Democratic action.

Asks Writ Against Lewis

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Robert N, Denham opened a two-pronged assault on John L. Lewis and the embattled United Mine Workers. The general counsel of the NLRB asked a federal judge here to restrain Lewis and the union from using the three-day week and other devices to force an allegedly illegal contract upon coal operators. At the same time he brought charges of unfair labor practice against both Lewis and the union. A hearing on the injunction request was scheduled for Jan. 26. An NLRB examiner was to open hearings on the unfair charges Feb. 7.

Thanks Delegates For Being Elected

Edward Roman, elected a vice president of the Ohio State Council at the convention in Cincinnati, thanks the delegates for giving him the honor to serve on the Executive Board of the Ohio CIO Council.

He added in his letter of thanks, "with the team that was elected to the Executive Board this year from all over the State, I therefore, cannot help but say that with all of CIO pulling together in 1950 we will make it pretty rough for anti-labor candidates in this fine State, yes and that goes for Senator Taft, also."

Mr. Roman is president of Doehler-Jarvis, Local 1058, UAW-CIO.

Slum Clearance Group Named

WASHINGTON (LPA) — A 20-member advisory committee on slum clearance and urban redevelopment has been named by the Housing and Home Finane Agency. The committee will meet bi-monthly, said Nathaniel S. Keith, director of the division of slum clearance and urban redevelopment.

David Lawrence In Washington Star And Other Newspapers Of Jan. 17

"When President Truman saw a vision of $12,000 a year as the income of the average family in the year 2000, he omitted to predict what each of those dollars would be worth.

"Economists have figured out that, if the present trends continue, the dollar will be worth 18 cents in purchasing power, 50 years hence."

Dan Tobin Warns Democratic Party

INDIANAPOLIS (LPA) — What may defeat the Democrats in 1950 and 1952 is their leaders' idea "that labor must support their party and their platform, right or wrong." So declared Daniel J. Tobin, president of the AFL Teamsters, writing in the January issue of the Teamster. He warned labor to take an important part in the campaign both in 1950 and 1952.

If labor is betrayed again, Tobin continued, the foundation stones will be laid for a third party. "I am ready to change to even a third party based on American principles and law if labor is again betrayed and deceived by the government two parties," Liberals "betrayed and shackled labor. It can happen here."

Push Civil Rights

WASHINGTON (LPA)—When more than 4,000 men and women from 33 states came to Washington for an Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization Jan. 15-17, they were assured by President Truman that he's determined to press fo rhis civil rights program, even though it may mean holding the Senate in session next summer to kill a filibuster. About one-third of the delegates came from CIO and AFL unions.

Because:

President Truman did not talk in terms of dollars. He talked in terms of "real income" which means rise in ability to buy regardless of the value of the dollar. The figure $12,000 was not mentioned by the President—it was merely the calculation of newspapermen from what the President said, and if the value of the dollar should shrink as Lawrence predicts, the average family income would be more than $60,000, instead of $12,000, which would buy just as much as $12,000 would today.

Here is what the President said:

"If our productive power continues to increase at the same rate as it has increased for the past 50 years, our total national production fifty years from now will be nearly four times as much as it is today. Allowing for the expected growth in population, this would mean that the real income of the average family in the year 2000 A. D. would be about three times what it is today."

CIO Board Meeting Feb. 14 May Oust East-Wing Unions

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Through a national CIO Executive Board meeting has been set for Valentines Day, Feb. 14, hearts and flowers are not likely to be its theme. For on that date the board will get reccommendations from committees which have heard charges against several east-wing CIO unions and defenses by the union, all of them accused of following the Communist Party line in direct opposition to CIO policy and at the expense of their organizing effectiveness and benefit to the members.

Judge Bonita Matthews in Washington D. C. turned down a request from United Office & Professional Workers on Jan. 19 for a restraining order against National CIO. She will decide in a week whether to grant a temporary injunction preventing CIO from expelling the union. Two similar court cases are pending in New York, one brought by UOPWA and one by Food, Tobbaco & Agricultural Workers.

Hearings on FTA wound up in Washington Jan. 19 before a committee headed by Amalgamated Clothing Workers President Jacob Potofsky. Other members of the committee were National Maritime President Joseph Curran and United Auto Workers Secretary Emil Mazey.

The same group heard complaints against Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Jan. 18 and 19. Chief CIO witnesses against MMSW were William Steinberg, Stanley Ruttenberg and Ken Eckert. About 30 mine-mill workers and rank-and-filers appeared for the union. The group will be heard further Feb. 6.

Earlier hearings covered the United Public Workers and United Office & Professional Workers. The CIO board is free, under recent constitutional provisions, to oust unions found guilty of violating CIO policy. CIO convention in Cleveland last November took similar action against United Electrical Workers and Farm Equipment Workers.

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Ralph H. Young, Sec'y

Colonel Tarver, Dept. E, 1st Shift

This week we wish to salute Bill Drummer, that up-and-coming bowler from our department. His average in the Champion League is 173 and at the Olympic Alleys last week, using 396 pins, he came up with an average of 132. Nice going, Bill.

Fred Bremfoeder, our genial general set-up man, gets honorable mention this week for the reason that he is the essence of dependability. He not only does his work for Champion faithfully, but he also has earned an enviable reputation as a committeeman for the Credit Union.

Have you noticed how lovely that red dress made Ann Nelson appear last week? This young lady deserves our favorable comments. Ann is an accomplished pianist and entertainer but her best friends like her the most because to them, she is a devoted Christian. More power to you, Ann.

Thomas Ottensen will be surprised to learn that the people in this department have noticed how carefully and consistently he takes care of the numerous jobs assigned to him. Congratulations, Tommie.

Wanda Marciniak wields a potent influence in E operations. She has learned the difficult art of helping to maintain a smoothly flowing tide of production. No one could even successfully accuse her of showing any symptoms of "big-shot-itis", yet her suggestions are eagerly carried out because her fellow workers feel that she is one of them. Wanda, you have amply demonstrated that co-operation begets co-operation. Congratulation from all of us.

No nicer gentleman ever left our department than Johnson Bryant, who has gone to the Eng. Repair section. We'll miss you, Johnson.

Happy birthday to Helen Tipp, whose birthday was Jan. 21. She had a quiet party at home to honor the occasion.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Margaret Walker who lost her beloved father last week.

REMEMBER THE CREDIT UNION DANCE ON JANUARY 28th.

Robert Smith
Dept. E 2nd Shift

Oh boy! Here's a bit of news from the Plug Tampers. Usually it's the "eyes" have it, but in this case the "Moustaches" have it. What have you two fellas got against the world? Sporting those nose mops around? Is it a bet or maybe its a fad? On Leslie Gravens, not many whiskers, but, oh what an attempt. Of course, the fellas know why Bill Pontious has his. Well boys, lets see results on those "long twisters—then comes the pictures???

Another of our champions is in the hospital and a long ways from here. She is Rose Holewinski and the hospital is at East Grand Rapids, Michigan (Burleson hospital). We all wish Rose a very speedy recovery and we miss her very much. Let's drop her a line and remember to write to all those who are in the hospitals from Champion.

Another one of our girls is back to work and the Welcome Mat is out for you, Evelyn Mikosz. Glad to see you back, we know you had a long siege of it, O'l girl.

Say, what happened to the Office Team? Did they get lost, someone said they were bowling in the Champion Nite Owl Bowling League. Cheer up, boys, your day is coming, I don't know when, but just keep looking for it, it will be there. (just a rib, fellas).

Speaking of birthdays (no one was, but I will) here are 3 more which were celebrated on Tuesday, January 17th. Chessie Dye from Plug Tampers and Mary Szuch. Don't worry your little hearts, I'll not ask for your ages. Believe it or not, I know. Sure, T'was a happy day for one of our smiling Miscellaneous girls, Mable Merritt, the third girl to celebrate her birthday on the 17th. You storied Mabel, when you said it was your 16th. Why are women like that about their age? Personal business, eh! Anyway Mabel wishes to thank the following girls for the lovely gifts and she says thanks a million: Virginia Taylor, Teddy Hubble, Betty Lewis, Delphine Kozicki, Lillian Young, Stephanie Kaminski, Alice Grocki, Mary Przybylski, Florence Korzenewski, Beatrice DeCelle, Mary Brandon and Verna Linder.

Well—Georgia Weppler—'tis a surprise. We hear that a shower party was given for you on Sunday Jan. 15th by your buddies from Champion and a pot luck was held at Teddie Hubbles home. A grand time was had by all and there were 15 girls there from Champion. Let us know the happy news as soon as possible, Georgia.

Here's news of your "Colony After Midnight Bowling League". The officers elected at the last meeting, Friday Jan. 13th were as follows:

President—Fern Medley
Vice-Pres.—Louis Pfann
Treasurer—Thalia (Ted) Hubbell
Secretary—Pauline Heiden
Sergeant-at-arms — Della Smale

After starting out with a 97, Dick Davis rolled a 255 for the High Individual game for the evening and finished with a 189 for a 523 series.

It isn't to late to join the league—so come down and have fun. Anyone interested in purchasing an Ebonite bowling ball, bowling bag or shoes call Ga.-8701 or contact Fern Medley.

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George Cunningham
Millwrights 1st Shift

The 3rd shift "superintendent" of Dept. H. Mark Smith was heard calling his understudy the other day. He said, "Come here, Buster." We thought his name was Ted Oliver but he answered to the name "Buster."

Sorry to see William Bates limping around with his annual attack of arthritis. Although he is not in the best of health, he sure has been in the best of spirits. We are all with you, Bill—all the way.

"Grumpy" Greiner has been seen to smile quite often of late. Could a '46 Plymouth have anything to do with this?

Walter Myers was off work because of a cold that left him practically speechless. He is back to work but he brought the cold with him. Hope you get the best of it, Walt.

After scouring the plant without success for a special fitting, one millwright faced the facts—his only choice was Paul Justus' wagon. A search through this was a failure. Paul, how about ordering some of these fittings to stock or to your wagon?

With two men like Harry Gaeth and Norman Campbell around, it shouldn't take long to motorize the wash basin that is being repaired in our department. What do you say, fellows?

The laugh of the week!

Clarence Keyser bringing his $4,000 finger lift to be serviced in Department H. This department has 2 old grinders, a drill press, a pipe threader and a dream of someday having a finger lift of its own. So you can imagine the kind of servicing this $4,00 finger lift truck will get. When you have your car serviced at the gas station, you drive it on a ramp which lifts it up while the attendant services it. At Champion it is different, you run it over a millwright, then he repairs it.

There is no ramp, nor is there
a pit,
Just a crane that you wait
an hour to get.
And as you lift the truck up
high,
You pray to God, that he
stands by.
For you, a millwright, know
that you
Must trust in Him to pull
you through.
Course, Champion's thought is
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Not lives, not limbs, but
plugs—Alone!

Have you seen Clem "Kiddlehopper" Jones with his new $150 smile? Where did you get those new "choppers," Clem? Give us a big "Hollywood" smile.

With their captain, Art Barnes, bowling three nice games, the Champs of Swanton won the first for three games in the bowling match, but maintenance, a hard team to beat—at times—still took the last two to make them the winners 2 years in a row. Nice bowling, Hank.

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Rigor Mortis
Dept. AA 2nd Shift

Light travels 186,000 miles per second, jet planes speed faster than their sound but we know a guy who rings out at 11:00, his fiance starts to dial at 11:00 and he gets home in time to pick up the phone on the first ring!!!!

That ubiquitous literary critic and reviewer caught another inmate of our institution last week. That guy not only criticizes what you read but where, when why and how—all unfavorably.

Rigor "says" — Don't forget the grand opening of the "Golf Bowl" on February 1, 1950.

Wouldn't it be a fine thing if some producer in our midst —such as J. S. V., an old minstrel man—would assemble, direct and promote a musical comedy, revue or minstrel show? We are sure there is talent enough, of all kinds, at Champion to round up several fine numbers in addition to an excellent chorus line.

Was seen in AA. Morgan, Doc Crone and Rigor Mortis, holding a consultation on Powell's cut-off blade.

REMEMBER THE CREDIT UNION DANCE ON JANUARY 28th.

Eng. Insp.
1st Shift

What is getting into "Mr." Wm. Leonard again??? The boys tell us they have to give the silent "treatment." Snap out of it Bill, you are just one of the workers like the rest of us. The inspectors know what they are doing and they will turn in their reports at the end of the day.

Layton Wittenberg
Dept. A 2nd Shift

Ralph Morgan has been looking and studying pamphlets on boats for a long time and finally reached the stage of deciding between a 36' cabin cruiser or an 8' row boat. We, down here, are betting on the rowboat, but Ralph, how are you going to get all the fellows in it for that cruise you have promised them?

Ralph Powell's lock was frozen on his car the other night and Harry Patton had a small blow torch which he used to thaw the lock open. It seems a patrol wagon came along and saw them trying to break in Ralphs' car and they really had a hard time talking themselves out of jail. Moral—don't carry a blow torch.

In answer to Jim Vinson, on my reporting the strange "phenomena" of the stork visiting Red Robinson, I assumed that everyone had heard, especially Jim, the story of the "Birds and the Bees" by this time. (How does Red rate all this publicity?)

"I Can Dream, Can't I" As I took the key out of my pocket and opened my private locker door, I was amazed at the contrast between the old and the new. No more of hanging our clothes in the open where they became saturated with oil and toxic fumes that were being driven on them by the ceiling fans. Now—one could wear clean clothes to work, change and know that they would not have an oil smudge from an oil soaked garment hanging next to them on a crowded, so-called clothes rack. Now, if we came in with a white shirt, we know it will be white when we go home. The danger of pifferadge is eliminated too. Why does this have to be only a dream, when it would be appreciated so much in reality????

REMEMBER THE CREDIT UNION DANCE ON JANUARY 28th.

Jim Vinson
Dept. D 2nd Shift

Agnes Pointinger, the bird woman, is transferring Monday to the day shift. We've long expected that Aggie would someday give us the "bird." Two other comely buds, in the persons of Ada Quaintance and Mildred Schriefer, we consign to the demain of one English Borglin and implore his blessings upon them.

Who was the packer who packed only nine plugs in containers designed for ten? This would be understandable had she been packing 9 Commercials. The weighing of each packing case will reveal even so slight an error as omitting gaskets.

What was to have been a surprise birthday party for Gertrude Hughes, Wednesday night, sputtered out of lack of Gertrudes presence. She stubbed a toe on sumpin and failed to come to work. That turned out happily for yours truly, as he got a huge slice of Ella McNeil's delicious cake.

A very lovely young woman inquired of us, whether all of our riders had come to work. We replied that all had. "Can't you squeeze me in your car?" She pleaded. I told her, "I'd be glad to squeeze her anywhere." (Hope Mrs. V. don't read this.)

We note that Colonel Tarver is again copying off the shop directory. Do they really like to see their names in print that much, Colonel????

According to Mr. Borglin, our friend Sailor Lewandowski contemplates launching out on the matrimonial sea before many months. Well, Gene, one guy asked about such a voyage, after ten years of such sailing, replied: "Sometimes I wish I'd missed the boat." (In order to defend the women, his wife probably wishes he had missed it too. RHY).

Speaking of hobbies as R. M. did, we've never met a beer-taster, only guzzlers, but we list a few here: gardners, cartoonist, illustrator, cake-baker, toast-burner, needle-workers, philosopher. We intentionally omitted poets and whiskey drinkers as these would fall, naturally under the head of diseases.

To Mr. Borglin: Congratulations to you for your good luck in having Jeanie! If yu can keep her Meek, you'll do better than this writer. Dog-gone it, Borglin, why didn't you tell me earlier about Marion Frank's wedding anniversary Now, I've missed another kiss. Don't tell me she ain't kissable. How about it, Mr. Franks?

Marion, I wish you years of
bliss,
And many an oft repeated
kiss.
From whom? Your mate. Who'd
you suppose?
Guess this will keep him on
his toes.

Bernice Keller, ill for a week, got out of a sick bed to come in and cash our checks. Had she failed, we all would have been sick.

Our friend Clara Wade, will birthday on Jan. 29th. Congratulations, Clara. Bet we get a good piece of cake out of this.

Eleanor Simmons and Rita Veres have transferred to the 1st shift and take along our good will and wishes.

It is rumored that Millie Flogaus is expecting. We talked to her hubby and he doesn't know what to expect.

Sophie Siderski, Millie Flogaus, Elsie Dudek, Marion Taylor, Marie Miller and Alvina Urzykowski held a luncheon in honor of their departing fellow-workers on knurling, Ada Qqaintance and Mildred Schrieffer and the latter has requested me to say that they deeply appreciate the generous spirit behind this expression of friendliness. Not having got so much as a crumb, I assume the grub was wonderful, as usual. (Ha-ha-ha-ha. R. H. Y.).

Our sympathy to Adeline Rogers and her familuy in the loss of her sister, Mrs. Regina Janowiak.

Sylvia Szkatulski is on maternity leave and we sincerely hope that she and her husband with a lovely, healthy child.

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Paychecks For W-O Workers

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341106 Walter Brown, Jr.

Pay Ending 10-16-49

105001 James E. Taylor
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121322 Harold F. Mills
166002 Steven Murzynski
172002 John L. Stasiak
239023 Abner I. Meech
262041 John E. Keadle
265012 Harold Osborne
265015 Charles E. Miller
265031 Clark Winters
267964 Mary E. McFillen
346468 Anthony Krause

Pay Ending 10-23-49

121007 Oscar Allen
329146 Harry L. Mercer
330102 Norman C. Jimison
403120 C. J. LaFountain
440986 Ethel Koepplinger

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121038 Clifton D. Long
222881 Anna B. Bailey
262327 M. C. K. Kinney
267019 Geo. B. Stone
267658 Elizabeth Smothers
356002 N. G. Langenderfer
383013 George Smith

Skilled Trades Meet Feb. 7

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meeting is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m.

Conference Feb. 3

The International Skilled Trades Council will convene at the Warren Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 3, with 50 delegates expected to attend, it was announced by Frank Johnson, president of the Northwestern Skilled Trades Council.

He said that any skilled tradesman and any other UAW-CIO members are invited to attend this conference.

Consult Constitution

Mr. Johnson issued a reminder that skilled trades groups, befor negotiating a contract should consult the Constitution of the International Union, UAW-CIO. The Constitution amendment was adopted at the UAW Convention in Milwaukee, Wis. in July, 1949.

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By CLIFF PARSELLS

Several things of importance have been brought out in Toledo, due to the pension drive and law suits against labor leaders in our town. One that strikes me as great a need as any for the city and area is at least one more daily newspaper. For political, religious, civic salvation it is apparent that for middle and even some of the upper class people need to be represented and guided by the views and objects of a news-withold information that benepaper that will bring out all the facts of any issue and not fits any group large or small. One may ask why an additional news source is necessary to save political, religious and civic groups.

Remembering parts of a book (written by a paper hanger), of how each of these three groups were pitted against each other to destroy the weakest and in the end destroy all. It was necessary to control each city, town and village news source to succeed in the first steps of his plan. I am not claiming that our city is in the condition (yet) to be taken over by the iron hand rule, but when one group can be weakened or destroyed by the simple twisting of the truth, we must wonder if the whip can also be applied to other groups who dare to vote, pray and meet with fellow men in a Democratic way.

I do hope that from reading this, that if and when you are called upon to support a new paper you will remember a few of these words. And that when you buy a suit of clothes, a car or when you choose a home, you wuldn't want your selection to choose from to be limited to one as is your choice of newspaper in Toledo.

Tillotson News

To get back in the old stride after a couple of weeks. We are sorry that we didn't have any news the last couple of weeks.

As you know by now, my wife gave birth to an eight pound baby girl. As you also know that the fellow who helps me with this add is in the hospital with a broken arm when he fell on the ice by the shop. We are hoping for a quick and successful recovery. Everybody in the Dept. are missing you, John. Good luck.

Don't forget in 1950 we have to beat Robert Taft. Let's all get on the band wagon.

Everybody is worrying about Dick Gosser. Let's forget about that and fight for the pension that he is trying to get for Toledo and area.

Tuesday, Feb. 7th is Union meeting night. At this meeting they will have nominations of officers.

We all understand that Tillotson is going to have a night shift starting Monday, January 23. We are hoping that every thing will be as happy as it was right after the war.

We understand that Helen Swafford just came out of the hospital a couple of weeks ago. And she started back to work last Monday. Soon as she got back she smashed her finger. We are hoping when you get back once more that you will have better luck.

Till we meet again, as John Donohue would say, God bless you.

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Pensions For All Aged Ohioans

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election. I believe organized labor should help sponsor a program beneficial to the aged. I don't think anyone needs help any more than those who have passed the age where they cannot find employment. This will eliminate a lot of the infirm, and destitute cases in our state.

Further, I think you should get the Widow's Pension and give that a complete analysis so that it can be changed so a widow with children will have a decent sum to raise her children on.

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International UAW CIO

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By LEWIS MATTOX

Important meeting Saturday January 28th, time 2:30 sharp, at Local 12.

Business seems to be picking up as a partial third shift is being called.

Two of our oldest girls are on nights, Rose Filipiak and Mary Curtis.

Joe Lubinski is walking around with a big grin, could it be because he is back working in Drills?

Bill Cardwell is on the ball learning a new trade.

"That old gang of mine," Lefty, Leo and Jack, and they are on the ball.

We hear that Jack Lusher and Frank Levo like to bowl.

The Dead End Kids, Norm, Johnnie and Louie Adoline, have a new game, they are now playing shuffleboard and getting good scores also.

Cecelia Slake's mother is very ill. We wish her a speedy recovery.

In the years gone by our top company officers did the bargaining with the committee and union representatives, which made honest collective bargaining. It seems now they have to get a lawyer to talk for them to settle grievances.

It looks like a good turnout for our Unit election. Watch for the date. Some of our boys are putting on a good campaign.

It looks like three of the boys who might run for committee are from the die shop. They are Stanley Schoviak. Bernard Sztukowski and Joe Nowak.

It is the opinion of the writer that the Officers of our Union are doing a good job, with Howard Seren, Richard Lazette and Howard Rediger near the top of the list.

What was Smokey doing at the Wagon Wheel in Old Kentucky.

Airway Airings

By ZIG LAPINSKI

The election committee tells me that the election of the executive shop committee will be held on Friday, February 3, 1950 in front of the main gate at the Air-Way Electric. There will be a voting booth set up, and it will be open from 6:00 A.M. in the morning to 4:30 P.M. all members should vote, and remember you must be in good standing with the union to be eligible to vote. Bring your union cards or last receipts showing dues paid. It's your union so make it your business to vote.

At our last meeting we have set up a permanent Welfare Committee, they will do their best to help out when ever they will be called upon. I think that this is a worthy undertaking and when they need a little help to put over their welfare work, we should all pitch in and cooperate. If any brother or sister are in need of help, tell the Welfare Committee. The Welfare Committee consists of Orin Baker, Helen Reed, Dick Freiheit, and Bill Osenbaugh.

A few weeks ago, I wrote a small article about rumors and gossip. I may be wrong, but I think that hand in hand these two evils hurt more than a slap in the face. I know it's human nature with some, but I don't think the majority of us believe some of the hooey a few try to spread. Before we pass judgement on any one, we should at least get the facts.

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National *Supply Unit News*

By DEAK and DOCK

McClosky better watch out, as young Sullivan was in the shop the other day, looking things over. A couple of years and a few handshakes and he will be in and Jim will be out, so don't say we didn't warn you.

The award jackets have finally arrived for the noonday softball champs, National Supply of course. Before these jackets will be given out, each player must turn in his uniform. For further information as to where to pick up the jackets, contact Harmon Lee at the shop or telephone EM. 7875.

Notice to members returning to work after a lay-off; leave of absence or whatever the case may be. Be sure to check your dues with Local 12. It may save you from becoming suspended. You have only 30 days to take care of any delinquency. You know its not very pleasant to walk up and say, "look Bud, you are now suspended."

LAKE ERIE BREEZES — the Democrats are warm in this coal strike. The Republicans are cold. We don't blame the Republicans for singing "Baby its cold Outside." They haven't been inside since 1932 and it don't look like they will make it in 1952.

VAUDEVILLE IS BACK — Smith Sr. "You kept the car out rather late last night, son. What delayed you?" Smith Jr. "Had a blowout, Dad." Smith Sr. "H'm Tire or Roadhouse?'

Campbell; "I saw a magician turn water into wine." Uncle Remus; "That's nothing—I turned my car into a telegraph pole."

"I'm getting the hang of it now," said the murderer, as the nose dropped over his head.

She sat upon the sofa, he sat upon her knee; She gently stroked his little head—it was a dog, you see.

Ye old liquor ads, the drys say, "men of distinction" will quickly become "men of extinction" if they read the liquor ads too closely.

Inspector Earl Thampson says, "That the Co. should buy a motor scooter for the thunderbolt machine." Then he will be able to work in Dept. 43 & 44 at the same time.

Who said, "Shinny Campbell isn't Scotch?" When his electric razor cord wore out, Shinny went to the store to buy a new one. When asked how much he needed, Shinny answered, just give me the whole bolt so I can plug it in at the shop and save my electricity.

Yes, we have no Frank Buck to bring them back alive but, we do have a General Earl William's who hunts wild Mexican women.

Evidently "Fat" Bordner yelled loud enough to get some help. Clerk, Ernie Woeller is back on the job again.

Uncle Remus says, any girl who has a soft spot for a fellow, had better look close! It may be her head.

Harold Jones had a bad accident, he dropped his wallet on his foot.

It's only 332 days left until Xmas.

Now that Gargantua is dead, Ringlings Circus will need a head line attraction, why not ship Toledo's Pay Roll committee creators of Toledo of tomorrow to Ringling Brothers as they will save the circus money on vegetables.

Whats the matter Homer? Margaret Truman says her singing career is not a success as yet. She made $75,000 last year which she says is not only beginners wages, but hopes to do better this year. She gets nearly as much as Harry does for playing the piano. Homer old boy, you're slipping.

Rumor Dept.: The rumor is that the exclusive organization known as the 100% Plus Club is preparing to welcome Dept. 54 into its fold. Of course this will not take place until the foreman in that Dept. put their philosophy of move production, less work and fewer workers. It is understood that they have a few loyal subjects who are willing to blaze the trail for the rest to follow.

Mother Love: Hope the nite men in Dept. 52 don't try to beat the day men's production records, remember the Company loves you so, that's why they laid you off. Don't let them slip you a Pearl Harbor.

Another indespensible man? We wonder why Frank Jones don't retire. The Company is willing but he seems to be afraid the gear cutters just wouldn't run if he wasn't there.

Candid Comment: Because women have curves. Men have angles; One invention Russia hasn't claimed is the lie detector.

One last reminder, members returning to work, be sure to check your dues at Local 12.

Some Coon Hunt: A couple of boys got the itch for a coon hunt, borrowed some dogs and started out, as they approached their favorite hunting spot were amazed to see a coon run across the road ahead of them, quickly stopping the car, Bill getting the dogs on the trail, while Al loaded his gun and within a few minutes the dogs told them the coon was securely in a tree. Now we don't want to criticize Al Seal's markmanship, but we were told it took quite a barrage to bring down the coon, not with the usual thug but with a splash. While the boys were carried away with astonishment, the creeks swift current carried away their coon. Al was the first to gather his wits and started down the creek trying desperately to fish the coon from the water. After a mile chase he succeeded and returned only to find Bill Hatcher dripping wet and his teeth chattering. What happened? Shouted Al. Tthose dddarn dddogs shshshoved me in the crcrcrick, was Bills reply. (Editors note: This last sentence wants to be written, as Bill stutters when he talks. Thank you).

The racket of rackets: Sammy (Al Capone) Greco brought a bag of chestnuts in the shop and after giving the boys a line about raising them on that sand hill of his, offered to sell them for twenty cents a pound and had a thriving business until someone saw them advertised, three pounds for nineteen cents.

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Negotiations Begin

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pension plan, union members will do well to consider the posibilities of strike action in the terms of long-term benefits.

Propaganists for the Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls now, no doubt, will cut loose with a few radio speeches Blade advertisements tellling you and the public that your leadership is irresponsible — that the glassworkers have settled for company, not regional pensions, and that Chrysler workers have offered to forgo their pension demands for a 10-cent wage increase.

Informed and intelligent UAW members wil not fall for such irrevelent tales, polished up by expert public relations men to make them attractive to the eye, misleading in effect. Forward-looking UAW members will remember that strife is the price of union progress and the resulting rise in their standards of living.

It makes no difference what Chrysler workers are bargaining for. They have a right to demand what they wish, and to accept whatever they wish. It makes no difference what the glassworkers may have settled for — and at the moment Local 12 leadership is not so sure what they got.

The important thing to Region 2-B UAW members is that competent actuaries of the international UAW staff have now rounded out a comprerensive plan to give them something more in the way of minimum health security needs and retirement income.

This plan will give every union member immediate security from unreasonable hospital bills. It wil assure every UAW family a living meal ticket in case the bread-winner is suddenly taken away from his work by an unpredictable illness or accident. It will assure every member that despite inflationary living costs, he will not be destitute at retirement after having spent 25 to 45 years making a luxurious living for plant executives and stockholders.

This line of reasoning doesn't mean the UAW leadership is against private enterprise. Private enterprise is essential to the American way of life, and labor is a vital part of that life. It merely adds up to a reasonable desire on the part of the union leadership to win for the union membership a more equitable share of the profits from free enterprise.

Interference of The Blade, and others with selfish motives, in the normal bargaining process has put management in a spot where it may feel it necessary to put up a last-ditch fight. The union cannot accept responsibility for the unwarranted actions of The Blade, but it has the obligation to stand up for a square deal — fight to the point of a bitter and long strike, if necessary.

In the end, the decision will be yours. And when it comes time for that decision you can be sure that your leadership will properly inform you of every pertinent detail on negotiations and, if they are not availing, what other moves are possible. Then you will make the decision in a democratic vote under union regulations.

Don't let anyone mislead you by phoney charges against your union leadership. Remember those charges coincided with the announcement of the pension drive, and are being pursued for a purpose which cannot possibly help your cause — only jeopardize your interests. Management would be pleased, indeed, if you fell for all the propaganda and joined in efforts to divide your union. You have a choice, pensions or propaganda—remember THE ISSUE.

The President's Tax Program

AS WE EXPECTED, the multi-billion dollar institution called, ironically enough, the "public press" took off on President Truman's tax proposals the minute they were submitted to the Congress.

The big boys don't like the President's tax proposals.

They especially don't like that part of it which calls for additional taxes on corporation profits and for increase of inheritance taxes. Naturally enough they are yelling that such tax increases would "stifle" free enterprise and business in general

But their arguments are phoney. As phoney as a fifteen-dollar bill.

The facts are that corporation profits, in spite of recently increased taxes in this field, are unprecedentedly high. In 1949 these profits have risen to fabulous sums. So much so that even 1929 — with its fabulous profits — fades into insignificance in comparison. Estimates on 1949 corporation profits rise to the phenomenal figure of over $20 billion, nearly four times that of 1929.

In face of these enormous earnings, the President comes forth with a modest request for tax increases amount to $1 billion. Surely Big Business, gorged with their profits, should be only too glad to accede to such a proposal. But they won't. On the contrary, Big Business will do everything in their power to wreck that program and proceed to cajol the Congress into continuing the excessive tax burdens that the masses of common people have to bear.

OF COURSE, the Congress should immediately abolish the so-called excise taxes on such items as transportation, communications, luggage, furs, amusements and a host of other items that bear heaviest on those least able to pay. A 20% tax on many of these items to those with high incomes—and frequently with unlimited expense accounts—means pracally nothing.

But a 20% tax on luggage, for example, to working people frequently means—no luggage at all.

So it is with everything else, including amusements. Too often people with modest incomes have to cut out even the most elementary types of amusements beof high prices, frequently made high by these same excise taxes.

In any event, the fight is on.

It is up to the people to back up President Truman and demand that the Congress for once adopt tax measures that, at least in a limited sense, serve the interests of those who are least able to pay but nonetheless pay the most.

Civil Rights Again

AN OLD and wise friend of ours opines that the civil rights issue is "darn near worn out."

"It ought to be," says he. "At the begining of almost every session of Congress it's taken down from the shelf, dusted off, kicked around and then put back on the shelf again."

We have a hunch that the same forces which blocked its passage in the past will be right in there trying to give it another kicking-around.

And we also have a hunch that they may not succeed, filibuster as they may be.

Nobody who has taken the trouble to investigate the situation will deny that a certain portion of our population gets a rough deal because of race, creed and color discrimination.

And it's obvious to most people that certain types of civil rights abrogation could be checked or eliminated by the proper legislation.

Yet there is a group in Congress which has insisted — often and noisely — that the federal government has no business poking its nose into the matter.

This group can be trounced — and trounced badly — if other members of Congress who profess to believe in a real civil rights program will get in there and pitch for all they're worth.

They should. They really should—and at the present session!

One Billion Dollars

THE BUREAU of Employment Security, U.S. Dept. of Labor, just announced that in 1949 a total of 7½ million laid off workers collected a billion dollars in unempolyment insurance. In 1948, payments totaled $790 million.

It was also announced that payments averaged around $20 weekly during the first half of the year with this sum gradually rising to around $21 towards the end of the year.

At the moment we don't want to discuss the very acute problem of how people can manage to get along on $20 or $21 per week. And that for only a limited number of weeks. As in Ohio, for example, where unemployment payments are made for 26 weeks in sums ranging from $25 to $30 weekly.

Rather, we want to point again to the dangerous growth of unemployment all over the country. Seven and one-half million laid off workers . . . people looking for jobs . . . that's a lot of people out of work. And from all indications, it looks as though things are going to get tougher. That means more people will be walking our streets looking for jobs . . . jobs that they won't be able to find.

Right here in Toledo, acording to latest estimates, upwards of twenty thousand workers are jobless. Where will these people get work? What will they do after they have exhausted their unemployment benefits? How will they live? It seems to us that these are mighty important questions and the sooner someone begins to do something about this acute situation the better.

"LOOKING FORWARD"

This You Ought To Know

By PETE ZVARA

THE OTHER day I got to talking to one of the boys in our shop and, naturally enough, we soon found ourselves discussing the pension drive of our union and the bitter attacks that The Blade is leveling against Brother Gosser.

Pete Zvara

"You know," he said, "this pension idea is Okay, except that it don't go far enough. Suppose we get a hundred a month when we retire. Maybe even a little more, but not much more. It isn't so hot. How can you get along on that much money with the prices being what they are?"

"That's right," I agreed, "but it seems to be tough enough to get our plan across—modest as it is—let alone anything that might really mean financial security for our aged people. And after all," I continued, "you know the old saying: If you don't have a horse a mule will do."

"I suppose so," he assented, "but I sure don't get it why The Blade is yelling so much. They should talk! Why?"

And then he proceeded to tell me a story about the days—nearly twenty years ago—when he used to sell The Blade as a newsboy on one of the busy downtown corners.

This is his story.

* * *

"I REMEMBER when I was a kid, just about the time when all hell broke loose and the Big Depression came crashing on top of our heads, how I used to sell The Blade on one of the downtown corners. Sure I had to sell papers. Dad wasn't working and there was no money in the house. So, day after day I—along with a lot of other youngsters—took our papers and did our level best to get rid of 'em. The price was three cents and, if I remember right, we used to get about 1¼c for each paper we sold.

"Well," he continued, "that wouldn't have been so bad. We could make, after working for hours in all kinds of weather, maybe 30c and sometimes a bit more. But, and this is where the catch came in, it wasn't as simple as that."

He paused for a moment as if trying to make sure not to overlook any details.

"I remember," he continued, "that my usual quota of papers was fifty. I also remember that each time we left for our respective corners we were told by The Blade circulation boss that we would be charged with all papers left over ten. Now, this simply meant that if I didn't have a good day — and many times I didn't have a good day—I would sell maybe twenty-five papers and be stuck with the other twenty-five. The Blade would then make me pay for fifteen papers and took back the other ten. That, of course, meant that for that particular day I worked for nothing."

"What can we do with these papers? we would ask. And the reply was always the same: 'Eat 'em.' And," he continued wryly. "if we protested they would simply chase us out and asked us if we would like to have mustard with our papers.

"Many a day," he continued his story, "I used to go home from the streets with nothing to show for it—except an armful of papers that nobody wanted. Yeah, that's how The Blade treated us kids for a good many years."

He paused again for a moment and then continued:

"You know, everytime I pass by that beautiful building down on Superior St., I wonder just how many pennies were sunk into its construction . . . pennies that they took away from me and from heaven only knows how many other kids.

"Yeah," he said again, frowning disgustedly, "I wonder how many pennies. They should talk about others!"

Steel Companies Admit Pensions Don't Cost Much

By Nathan Robertson
For Labor Press Association

WASHINGTON (LPA)—The big steel companies, which last fall forced their workers into a prolonged strike to get the pensions recommended by the Industry's fact-finding board, are now admitting the pensions don't cost much after all.

The story the managements are now telling their stockholders is far different from the one they told last October when they jeopardized the national economy rather than accept the recommendations of the fact-finding board.

The story is told in statements to the stockholders asking for proxies approving the pension plans. Such proxy statements have now been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Bethlehem Steel Corporation and Republic Steel, two of the big three. A similar statement is expected soon from the biggest of all—U.S. Steel.

The company admissions on the cost of the pension systems should be of particular interest to the Congressional Committees now investigating the recent steel prices increases. The companies, in raising prices, emphasized the additional cost of the pension plans although the fact-finding board had expressly held that price increases would not be necessary.

Bethlehem told its stockholders that the additional cost of pensions in 1948, if the new plan had been in effect, would have been less that $1 million. It estimated its future payments into the pension fund would have to be increased between $2 million and $2½ million a year.

But it pointed out that even these moderate costs would be materially reduced if Congress approves, as it is expected to do, the liberalization of the social security law approved by the House. And then it added:

"In considering the reasonablenees of the amount of pensions paid as above stated, it should be noted that they are small when compared with the total payroll of Bethlehem; approximately $490,000,000 on 1948."

In other words, Bethlehem is pointing out that the additional cost of the pension plan is about one-half of one per cent of its present payroll, even at worst. If the social security bill passes, it will be even less.

In order to rally public support last fall, the steel companies took big advertisements in the newspapers trying to make an issue over the proposal for non-contributory pension plans. This propaganda came primarily from the other steel companies, but it is interesting to note Bethlehem's comment to its stockholders on this issue. It said:

"The question of whether Bethlehem should have a contibutory or a non-contribu tory plan has many times been carefully considered by the management, which has always believed, and still believes, that for Bethlehem a non-contributory plan is better than a contributory plan."

The company explained that only a small percentage of the workers would live long enough and stay with the company long enough to get pensions, and it was therefore in the company's interest to have the non-contributory so there would be no complaints over repaying what the worker had paid.

Another factor in Bethlehem's decision may have been the big payments that would have been required from officers under a contributory plan. The company management, in fighting off a minority stockholder proposal for limiting pensions to $25,000 a year, reported a number of bigger pensions that will be paid, including:

Arthur B. Homer, president	$67,087.00
Norman Berkley	48,400.00
Joseph M. Larkin	58,944.00
Paul Mackall	76,802.00
Robert E. McMath, vice president	60,592.00
Frederick A. Shick, comptroller	61,731.00

Republic Steel told a story similar to Bethlehem's, although it did not like the non-contributory feature of the pension system. It estimated the cost of the new system at $9,100,000 a year, but compared this with the total payroll of $244,000,000.

In Our Opinion

by HOWARD REDIGER
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY of T.I.U.C.

SEVERAL hundred copies of the UAW-CIO area pension plan has been distributed to Shop Committees and to many rank and file members. The actual name of the plan is "Toledo Industries—UAW-CIO Workers Security Program" and it is my understanding the summary is yet to be supplemented.

To write about a pension or retirement plan so it will be understood by all is not an easy task but I find the summary quite readable. It is written in plain language and a superb job has been done in making a difficult subject understandable.

The summary is approximately 60 mimeographed pages in length, double spaced for easy reading, and covers the Health Security and Retirement program separately. There had been many insinuations by the enemies of the area pension plan that the UAW could not project a good solid plan. As of now the rumor mongers and union haters must eat their words.

I can imagine the consternation of some of the members of The Salvation Committee to Save Toledo's Payrolls as they thumb thru the UAW pension plan trying to find something on which to hang their hat as unsound. Of course the Salvation Committee can search and find some gullible individual who will make the statement that the plan is unsound. So far no such individual has come forth but my dear friends, ready yourself because he cometh.

To give you some idea of the manner in which the summary is written, following is a quotation on Page 1-3 under the heading "ACTUARIAL CONSIDERATIONS":

"The actuarial soundness of a workers program is of the utmost importance to both the workers and employers. On this factor depends the ability of the plan to meet benefit obligations as they fall due as well as the stability of program costs. To an employee, an actuarially unsound plan means the threat of pension benefits on which he has counted to provide security in his old age. The employers interest likewise demands an actuarially sound program because only in this way can he be assured of its stability and its effectiveness in permitting orderly retirement of superannuated workers and in improving the morale of other workers."

This should be an adequate indication to all our membership that soundness is the first requisite of the UAW area pension plan and should dispel rumors afloat that the plan was unsound. To some persons nothing is sound if it is designed to help the average worker. To this type of thinker, unemployment insurance is unsound, social security is unsound, farm price support is unsound; in fact the worker never seems to get himself on a sound plane. But pensions to management, sometimes to the tune of many thousands a year, are sound. Yes Sir, solid as a rock.

To go still further into the soundness of the area plan I quote Page III-7: j. ACTUARIAL TECHNIQUES USED: "Standard and approved actuarial methods and formulas were used throughout in the cost estimates, with one exception. A modification of the normal formula was necessary with regard to the incapacity retirement benefit, because it is expected that payment of incapacity benefits will not start until after the disabled worker has exhausted his right to 26 weeks of temporary disability benefits under the health security program."

This certainly signifies soundness.

Time For Plain Talk

By TOM BURKE

I'M IN A puzzlement, as the old timer said. Some time ago I wrote one of these little efforts called "Time for Plain Talk." At that time I was very proud of the article. I thought I had "laid it on the line," concerning what was happening to the labor movement in Toledo.

Now I am wondering whether the title, "Plain Talk" is a very good moniker for the column because I have heard a lot of surprise expressed at the brazen, gloves-off attempts to descredit labor and its leaders in our home town.

Tom Burke

I'm not complaining, mind you, but I'm somewhat amazed that people are surprised by developments in the fight against the Union on the pension issue. It was not my intention to be a soothsayer, a psychic or a crystal ball gazer. In plain, down-to-earth talk I called my shots as I saw them and drew my conclusions from aparent cause and probable effect.

I would like, now, to take a little inventory and see "wha hoppened."

I think events have proved that there was, as I pointed out, "a lateral attack on collateral issues." The only place I may have misjudged was in deeming it a "minor annoyance." At least for the time being the lateral attack has been made the major issue. I think there are several reasons for this.

In the first place, the issue of "the books" was too good an opportunity for the frontal opposition to miss. They naturally would want to take advantage of any suspicions this issue would arouse to shake the confidence of the members in their Union and its ability to administer their affairs.

The Union is a fiduciary agent for its members to the extent that it is the repository and administrator of common funds, derived from dues and other fees, for carrying on business as a free association of people banded together in a common cause.

To the average person "the books" are mysterious things to be viewed with strong suspicion. Therefore, any issue raised about "the books" takes on a cloak and dagger aspect. Some forces are always ready to take advantage of this and when they have an axe to grind, a questioning of finances usually is good for sure-fire results.

It's something like an old-time vaudeville practice. When the act didn't go over so well the actors would wrap themselves in Old Glory and sing a patriotic song for their final exit. After all, who would not applaud the Stars and Stripes and who would dare throw vegetables at it?

This brings us to the second point. In Toledo a hue and cry over Union politics is being used just as Old Glory was so often used to cover up a stinko act. What's the cover-up here? Could it be the utter collapse of the Committee of Ten Thousand?

Yes, I believe it was partly that and partly something else. The contention that Toledo industry would be in an impossible competitive position under the area pension plan has been entirely wiped out by settlements in the Ford plants and in the steel and aluminum industries.

Well, after a contention blows up in your face like that, there's one of two things you can do about it. Either you admit that you were riding on the wrong railroad or you stamp around and make a lot of noise about something else in the hope that people will forget tht you made a bum guess.

Another reason I minimized the annoyance is that I didn't correctly gauge the depths of the hatred that has accumulated against Dick Gosser and the Union in two camps.

I was fully aware of the one group. The hatreds of these people derive from their complete impotence in gaining a foothold of influence in the Union. After coming through the great necktie campaign, I should, of course, have been aware of the other faction. What I didn't realize was that the two would combine in their hatreds.

Of course "the books" will speak for themselves and the courts will hear the suits, those already filed and any that may be filed in the future. But in the meantime gross wrongs have been done. The petitions, filed for the obvious purpose of giving tongue to character smears and personal vilifications, have been publicized in such a manner that allegations have been made to appear as facts and facts have been lost sight of in an avalanche of accusations.

Collectively Speaking

By NORMAN MEILINK

OUR "OLD-TIMER" SERIES, DELIVERY BOY, PART 2

HERE it is Sunday, that is my payday. This is where I get my 4 bucks, so here I go again. I open the door, wade through snow up to my neck, cross the railroad tracks; gosh am I glad that nobody has moved them yet. No street lights, still no streets. Unlock the barn, water and feed the horse—gee, I wonder where all those mice went, didn't see any this morning. Oops, I forgot this was Sunday. I clean out the stable, shut the barn door, gee whiz, I forgot to wake up the Boss. He was waiting for me. "Son," he said, "you're an hour late." "Yes I know," says I, "the snow was a little deep and I had to shovel a path all the way here when I came to work, I brought my shovel with me."

With his "don't let it happen again" ringing in my ears, I start to sweep up the store and he goes to get my dough ready. (The only reason that he pays me on Sunday is that his books had to balance on Saturday.)

Now it is time to pay me off, and here he comes with my 4 bucks, all done up in a little tobacco sack; pennies, nickles, dimes, quarters, and once in a while he would throw in a half-dollar, along with a couple of slugs. Have you heard that old one about a bad penny that always returns? They sure did. Those slugs went right back into his gum machine.

He hands me the sack of silver. "That's a lot of money, Son. If I keep paying you that much silver every week, it won't be long before you'll be buying me out, then I will be working for you, you know." Kid, as I was, I sure thought that that was the bunk with a capitol B.

Now, before I get fired, which comes soon, I would like to tell you about one of our customers that lived ½ mile from the store. One of them kind that lived in a real nice house on a nice street, all paved, electric lights, hot air furnace, and all the plumbing inside. You didn't wade in snow up to your neck, you only do that when you deliver groceries. Her husband had one of those big jobs, payed around about $20 a week, so I heard. Setten on top of the world, you know the kind; they paid their bills with alibies. I don't believe that they paid their grocery bill either, but that was the Boss's job, I never collected, just delivered. The "groceries" that I delivered to them run mostly to postage stamps and hooch, anyhow. One day she would order a stamp, the next a pint of liquor and always on Monday, the pint of liquor. (You know in those days you could buy anything in a grocery store you wanted, from a mouse trap to a bail of hay—no soft coal at our place, the grocer across the tracks handled that.)

Here we go Monday, the third route, and the pint of liquor. (The Boss called it medicine.) I go to the back door and who should be standing there but my customer, all lit up like a church. Her nose is as red as a rose as she asks, "Have you got my medicine?" When I told her I did she all but pushed me off the porch before I could get it out of my pocket. "Now, she said, "here is what I want for tomorrow. I want 3c worth of cat's liver." I told her that we didn't have any cat's liver, all that we had was pig's liver. "You don't understand," she said. "With a hang-over like she had, who could? "I want 3c worth of liver for Kitty, my cat," she slushed, "bring me some scrap meat and bones for Peter, my dog, one yeast cake, and a post-age stamp." Boy, some order. The Boss is sure going to be proud of me. I would have rather she had sent out Kitty the cat though, I think that we could of understood one another better.

Just as I was about to leave she says, "Boy, you sure you got everything?" I said, "I sure have, Lady," and started back to the store. I really had a lot more than she thought. I had the idea that there was something rotten in Denmark when people like me had to wait on people like her.

They still hadn't started to Save the Payrolls yet, so I was better off in those days, I suppose.

Taft's Press Agent Becomes Lobbyist For AMA at $15,000

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Senator Robert A. Taft's former publicity man has become Washington lobbyist for the American Medical Association in its fight against President Truman's Health Insurance Program.

William B. McAdams has registered as AMA lobbyist and Washington representative of the AMA's $100,000 a year press relation firm — Whitaker and Baxter. His salary is $14,400 plus travel expenses.

Meanwhile, Robert S. Allen, columnist for the New York Post and other papers, has disclosed a plot zy Herbert U. Nelson, big shot of the real estate lobby, to secretly line-up the AMA in a united big business front against the Truman Fair Deal program.

Allen reported that Nelson, $25,000 lobbyist for the National Association of Real Estate Boards, is trying to persuade the AMA to join with the NAREB and other special interests in forming a new pressure group to fight national health insurance, liberalization of the social security law, and other measures—all in the name of small business. Major objective would be the election of a Republican Congress this fall.

7 Screen Veterans In "Sunset" Scene

HOLLYWOOD — Both as a sentimental and practical gesture, seven screen veterans were were singed to appear in Paramounts' "Sunset Boulevard" in a sequence in which Gloria Swanson and Cecil B. DeMille are spotlighted.

They are Gertrude Astor, iVrginia Randolph, Eva Novak, Franklyn Farnum, E. Mason Hopper, Frank O'Connor and Ralph Montgomery.

Other picture pioneers who appear in "Sunset Boulevard." a modern day drama of Hollywood life, include Erich von Stroheim, Anna Q. Nilsson, Buster Keaton and H. B. Warner.

RATHER ACT

Dorothy Kirsten, who sings at the Metropolitan Opera and makes her film debut doing a pop number with Bing Crosby in Paramount's "Mr. Music," would sooner act in legitimate drama than sing. She thinks her movie experience will help her the better to interpret her operatic roles.

Bettger To Play Heavy In "Station"

HOLLYWOOD — Paramount recently announced that Lyle Bettger, one of the leading stars of Broadway, has been signed for an important role in "Union Station," top suspense story which is set for early start.

Bettger made his screen debut earlier this year in Paramount's "The Lie" with Barbara Stanwyck and John Lund, and in "Union Station" joins an outstanding cast which already includes William Holden, Wanda Hendrix, Barry Fitzgerald and Nancy Olson.

The Broadway actor will play the role of chief heavy in the new picture, which concerns a sensational kidnapping and the tracking down of the cirminals, and thereby remains true to type. He played villian roles on the stage in "John Loves Mary," for 75 weeks and in "Love Life," and although he appeared on the stage onl yfour minutes in the latter play was singled out by reviewers for exceptional praise. After twelve years on Broadway he left "Love Life" to start his screen career when he was successfully tested for the role of thet heel in "The Lie," and brought to Hollywood for the aPramount picture.

Halfway Mark In 'Kim' Fiming Past

HOLLYWOOD — M-G-M's location troupe, headed by Director Victor Saville, has passed halfway filming mark of "Kim." Company is now shooting in Bundi Province in India, near Khyber Pass. Errol Fylnn and Paul Lukas, starring in the Technicolor drama, produced by Leon Gordon, report to the studio the middle of next month to join Dean Stockwell for interiors.

BEGAN WITH BARD

Edward Arnold, in Paramount's "Dear Wife," started his career 40 years ago with the Ben Greet Shakespearean Players.

Antonio Moreno To Rejoin Old Studio

HOLLYWOOD — Antonio Moreno, one of the six stars under contract to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer when the studio was formed 25 years ago, returns to the lot for an important role in "Crisis," dramatic film which stars Cary Grant. It will be the veteran actor's first assignment in an M-G-M picture since "Flaming Forest" in 1926.

Moreno, for years one of the most handsome and dashing leading man of the silent screen, created a romantic sensation when he appeared opposite Greta Garbo in "The Temptress," whoch was the Swedish actress' second Hollywood film. "Mare Nostrum" and "Adoration" were other early pictures in which he was outstanding.

"Crisis," to be directed by Richard Brooks and produced by Arthur Freed, goes before the cameras in early January.

Greer's Nightie New High In Novelties

HOLLYWOOD — Following her appearance in tights for the hilarious acrobatic sequence in "Julia Misbehaves," Greer Garin the dramatic love story "That Forsythe Woman," in which she son sets another sartorial 'first' stars with Errol Flynn, Walter Pidgeon and Robert Young.

The M-G-M- star, famous for her portrayal of stately ladies, will play one scene for the new Technicolor film in a nightgown.

But in keeping with her role as society leader of 1880, the nightie will not be flimsy like today's variety. Of heavy material, it is, according to Miss Garson, "more like a tent-with sleeves!"

No Rest For Pair After 'Adam's Rib'

HOLLYWOOD — Spencer Tracy and Katherine Hepburn found little time for rest following their hit performances in M-G-M's new romantic comedy "Adams Rib."

Tracy has been preparing for another comedy, "Father of the Bride," with Elizabeth Taylor and Joan Bennett, while Miss Hepburn went to New York where she will appear in the Theatre Guild production of "As You ike It."

Also in the offing is another domestic comedy as a co-starring production for the two stars.

'Intruder In Dust' Record For Realism

HOLLYWOOD — M-G-M's "Intruder in the Dust," timely and powerful story of the South, is an experiment in super-realism, being made 90 per cent on location, indoors and out. It is the first picture to use hundreds of citizens of the locale (Oxford, Miss.) as actors in addition to fourteen key actors from Hollywood.

Starring David Brian, Claude Jarman, Jr., and Juano Hernandez, the story concerns the successful attempts of a 16-year-old boy, a young attorney and a 75 year old woman to save a negro farmer from a false murder charge.

The Feminine Touch

BETTER BE A GIRL

HOLLYWOOD — If Esther Williams wants to keep her bathing suit manufacturers happy, her next baby had better be a girl.

Before Benjamin Stanton Gage was born in August, the manufacturers had a complete line of "water-baby" swim suits ready for the market—and they were very unhappy when the child wasn't a girl.

When Esther asked why it mattered so much whether the baby was a boy or a girl, the reply was: "Who cares about swimming trunks for baby boys!"

The swimming star is now before the Technicolor cameras in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's romantic musical "Duchess of Idaho," in which she stars with Van Johnson and John Lund.

SENTIMENTAL GIFT

HOLLYWOOD — Most thrilled person at the start of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Three Little Words" last week was Mrs. Bert Kalmar, wife of the late song writer. But Vera-Ellen, who portrays Mrs. Kalmar in the film, ran her a close second.

The actress, just as she started her opening dance number with Fred Astaire, was presented with a small heart-shaped locket by Mrs. Kalmar, one of the latter's most treasured possessions. It was given to her by Kalmar some two decades ago, when they—she as Jessie Brown—were vaudeville headliners on the Orpheum Circuit. She never danced with her husband without wearing it around her neck.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

She's Got That Look

Ann Sothern, beautiful M-G-M star, will soon be seen in the Technicolor musical, "Nancy Goes To Rio," and a new mystery thriller, "Death In the Doll's House."

DeMille Stickler For Authenticity

HOLLYWOOD — While doing research for his Technicolor production, "Samson and Delilah," Cecil B. DeMille traveled 2,000 miles for the sake of authenticity.

He went all the way to the Field Museum in Chicago to look at some keys used in the early days of the old Testament so he could duplicate them for his Paramount picture, co-starring Victor Mature and Hedy Lamarr.

They could be quite cumbersome to use today, as they weigh about five pounds each and are nearly two feet in length.

Lands Top Role With Hope After Losing Part In LDeMille Show

HOLLYWOOD — A heartbreaking dissapointment turued into a lucky break less than 24 hours later for 13-year old Carl Esser and, as a result, the youngster makes his screen debut in Paramount's new comedy "The Great Lover," which stars Bob Hope and Rhonda Fleming.

Young Esser was one of a number of youngsters tested for the role of Saul as a boy in Cecil B. DeMille's "Samson and Delilah," but was unsuccessful in obtaining the part, which later went to Russell Tamblyn.

However, he was "spotted" during the tests by Alexander Hall, director for "The Great Lover," and immediately cast as a member of a Boy Forester troop returning from a bicycle tour of Europe conducted by Hope.

"Dear Wife" Opening And Closing Scenes Filmed On Same Day

HOLLYWOOD — It's a fairly well known fact that through necessity motion pictures are frequently filmed out of sequence. But Paramount's 'Dear Wife' reached the ultimate in this regard recently when mid-way through its six-weeks shooting schedule the opening and final scenes wer filmed on the same day. And to cap the oddity, Director Richard Haydn filmed the final scene first.

Although the scenes are different, both the opening and closing are exterior street scenes. Locations were selected in Beverly Hills and the scenes were filmed in the same day.

William Holden and Joan Caulfield head the cast of "Dear Wife."

Frank Faylen For "One Way Out"

Columbia yesterday signed Frank Faylen for a top featured spot in "One Way Out," drama which co-stars Glenn Ford and Broderick Crawford. Henry Levin will direct and Jerry Bresler produce.

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New Orleans Comes To Screen In 'Toast'

HOLLYWOOD — One of the years most elaborate musicals, M-G-M's "Toast of The Town," went before the cameras this week with 35 gigantic sets scheduled for use in the Technicolor film which stars Kathryn Grayson, Mario anza and David Niven. Sest include reproduction of New Orleans' famed French Opera House, once one of the world's show places. Other sets include the romantic French Quarter, for which the iron grille work was especially flown in from New Orleans.

In addition, sets will include a Cajun fishing village, complete shrimp fishing fleet, and outdoor sets recreated in the Louisiana Bayou country.

Norman Taurog directs the musical. Joe Pasternak produces.

Loretta Young Has Practical Wardrobe

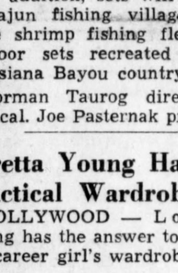
HOLLYWOOD — Loretta Young has the answer to a modern career girl's wardrobe problem.

For her role as the business-like mayor of a small Maine town in M-G-M's romantic comedy, "Key to the City," in which she co-stars with Clark Gable, Miss Young wears a wardrobe consisting of but three suits. Each is tops in simplicity, versatility and complete femininity.

One suit is made of off-white non-crushable linen, the second of deep royal-blue faille, the third is a severely tailored wool suit with black jacket and black-and-white checked skirt.

REHEARSES WATER BALLET

HOLLYWOOD — Esther Williams has reported to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer to start rehearsals on water ballet numbers for the new Technicolor musical "Duchess of Idaho." Miss Williams, Van Johnson and John Lund head the cast. Robert Z. Leonard directs the new film, Joe Pasternak produces. Jack Donohue is director of musical numbers.



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By INEZ GERHARD

Jan Miner admits that it is a rather odd distintion—she seems to have received more wedding cakes than anybody else, although she's not married. She has been wed eight times on the air, and each time fans have sent her wedding cakes. Currently starring as "Beth Lambert," alias Andy,") was a stenographer in the Illinois state government offices. He still types like mad; does all the final drafts of the radio scripts himself.

JAN MINER

"Carol Brent," in "Road of Life," Jan looks forward to the day when she can retire to her home in New Hampshire. The farm is on a strictly commercial basis, except for a few of her pet animals, one a horse, "Dr. Malone."

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Rosalind Russell will be lured to the Broadway stage, if playmright George Kelly can do it. He wrote "Craig's Wife," one of her most successful movies and recently outlined his new play to her on the set of "Tell It to the Judge."

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Randolph Scott credits the late William S. Hart with launching him on the road to screen success. Hart visited him when the star of Columbia's "The Nevadan" was working in "Roberta." "Randy," said he, "Why don't you get out of that monkey suit and into a western outfit? There's gold in them thar picture hills." Scott recently said he'll make nothing but Westerns now.

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Joe DeBona, winner of the 1949 Bendix air race, has been signed by producer Lindsley Parsons for a leading role in "Smoke Hunters," the story of parachuting firefighters. The U. S. Forestry Service will co-operate on it.

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Since a pre-view audience stood up and cheered him at a showing of "The Hasty Heart," young Richard Todd is being hailed around Warners' as the screen's newest star. An Englishman, he was one of the first British para-troop officers to jump into Normandy on D-Day. As a boy he was bedridden for three years with rheumatic fever, regained his health by playing football!

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Unaccustomed as she is to roles in which she doesn't sing, Doris Day has been given a chance to branch out; Jack Warner has assigned her to a straight dramatic part as Ginger Rogers' married sister in "Storm Center."

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Before he turned to show business Charles Correll ("Amos 'n'

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Armand Denis has been producing real-life adventure films for 20 years; he made "Goona-Goona" in 1929. "Savage Slpendoh" his latest, in Technicolor, involved travelling 22,000 miles by car and truck, twice across Africa by new routes.

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Director Ed Byron told it at a rehearsal of "Mr. District Attorney"—seems one time in Hoboken, N. J., a police precinct tried to get in touch with one of its radio cars. No luck. After five minutes the captain sent another car to look for it. The special car found the "lost" car had turned off the police call set—to listen to "Mr. District Attorney."

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Paramount has bought "Roman Holiday" for a Frank Capra production. It is all about a modern princess who, tired of her guarded existence, runs away from a castle, falls in love with an American newspaper reporter, who becomes her partner in adventure. All of which, of course, could not possibly have been suggested by the stories about England's Princess Margaret!

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ODDS AND ENDS . . . Gordon MacRae and his wife stayed at the Waldorf during their New York vacation, the hotel where he once was refused a job as bellhop . . . Julia Faye, who was Cecil B. DeMille's leading lady in many a silent film years ago, has been added to the cast of the Pine-Thomas "Outrage," at Paramount . . . Albert Crews, who was formerly head of radio for General McArthur in Japan, is now director of production for the Protestant Radio Commission, in this country.

Bing Sings Quartet All By Himself For Role In 'Mr. Music'

HOLLYWOOD—Bing Crosby, who yodeled a quartet with himself in "The Emperor Waltz," repeats the trick—with additional frills—in Paramount's "Mr. Music," in which he plays the role of a popular ocmposer.

The song is a new ballad by Johnny Burke and James Van Heusen titled, "Wasn't I There?" and Joe Lilley is doing the orchestration. Whereas in singing "Friendly Mountains," Bing's multiple voice chanting was limited to a few words, he will be a quartet all the way through "Wasn't I There?"

The trick will be accomplished by Bing recording the lyrics first, then putting in the harmony as he listens to the original track through earphones. Four different recordings will be required.

"Mr. Music' casts Bing as a composer of hit tunes who loses his zest for living until beauteous young Nancy Olson jolts him out of his lethargic rut. The topline cast includes Ruth Hussey, Robert Stack, Charles Coburn, Peggy Lee and Dorothy Kirsten, with Richard Hydn directing.

Exciting Newcomer

Teresa Celli portrays Gene Kelly's sweetheart in M-G-M's "The Knife," a highly dramatic suspense story set in New York at the turn of the century. Born in Pennsylvania but reared and educated in Italy, she was signed for films when studio executives heard her singing voice. She doesn't sing in "The Knife," but will in later films.

Greer's Own Gowns Basis Of Costumes

HOLLYWOOD — That fashion runs in cycles was proved this week during filming of M-G-M's "That Forsyte Woman," starring Errol Flynn, Greer Garson, Walter Pidgeon, Robert Young, and Janet Leigh.

Miss Garson suggested bringing in one of her own evening gowns for the ballroom scene.

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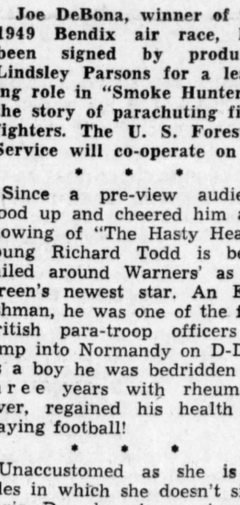

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Surface Combustion, Martin Parry Lead In Basketball Leagues

Both Undefeated In Loop Play; Games Played Monday's

Martin-Parry, leading the Local 12 National Basketball League, maintained their no defeat record by outscoring Plaskon by a close score of 38 to 28. Dick Klevon dumped in 14 points for the winners.

In the same circuit Auto-Lite No. 2 poured on points to beat Industrial Heat Treat 51 to 31. Tonsilowski connected for 15 points to lead the Lite's and Ted Perry counted 9 tallies for the Heat team.

American Floor Surfacing outdated the CIO Club in low scoring 29 to 17. Dick Lowien accounted for 10 of the Floor's points.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

In the American League the leading Surface Combustion drew a bye.

Willys Unit won a close decision from Spicer by a score of 31 to 27. Holubik connected for 10 points for Willys and Altman counted 15 for Spicer.

In the thriller in this circuit Doehler-Jarvis edged out Toledo Scale by one point the score being 36 to 35. Jim Marr looped in 10 points for the Jarvis quintet and Dick Wantke collected 9 points for the Scale's.

Auto-Lite No. 1 won from National Supply in another close game by a score of 30 to 26. Dick Miller poured in 10 counters for the Lite's and Dick Wantke the same amount for the losers.

Next weeks' schedule calls for Willys meeting Surface Combustion; Toledo Scale against Auto-Lite No. 1 and National Supply engaging Doehler-Jarvis. Spicer draws a bye.

The National League will have Martin-Parry facing American Floor Surfacing; Industrial Heat Treat tangling with Plaskon and the CIO Club taking on Auto-Lite No. 2 team.

All games are played at Robinson Junior High School.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

American

	W	L
Surface Combustion	2	0
Willys Overland	2	1
Spicer	2	1
Doehler Jarvis	1	1
Auto Lite No. 1	1	1
Toledo Scales	1	2
National Supply	0	3

National

	W	L
Martin Parry	3	0
American Floor	1	1
Auto Lite No. 2	1	1
Plaskon	1	2
Industrial Heat	1	2
C.I.O. Club	0	3

Did you know that: the longest set ever played in the final of the United States singles tennis championships was between Gonzales and Schroder, 16-18, last September.

Weekend Of Sports

FRIDAY, JAN. 27
Basketball, High Schools
Macomber vs Central at the Sports Arena.
Libbey vs DeVilbiss at DeVilbiss.
Waite vs Scott at Scott.
Woodward vs Port Clinton at Port Clinton.
Preliminary games will start at 7 P. M.
SATURDAY, JAN. 28
Basketball, College
Toledo vs Baldwin-Wallace at Berea, Ohio.
SUNDAY, JAN. 29
Hockey
Buckeyes vs. Atlantic City at Toledo.

Rockets On Road Saturday

Will Play Baldwin-Wallace

The University of Toledo basketball team will play its third road game in two weeks Saturday night, meeting the Baldwin-Wallace College Yellowjackets in Berea, O.

After the contest with B-W, the Rockets will return home to prepare for a return game with Valparaiso University at the TU Field House on Feb. 4.

Toledo played Valparaiso on its own floor in early December and dropped an 86-73 decision.

Wayne of Detroit will meet TU at the Field House on Feb. 7, then the Rockets head east for games with LaSalle at Philadelphia's Convention Hall, Feb. 11, and Niagara at Niagara, N. Y., Feb. 13.

The next TU opponent will be Jan. 28, Baldwin-Wallace at Berea.

Gintack, Fillion, Tillis And Street Win Fights At Monroe

Headed by Steve Gintack's rip-roaring victory over Bud Sheckles, the Local 12 boxing team copped four wins last Saturday night at the Monroe Community Center's show.

Gintack, who was floored for a 9-count during the bout, put on a great fight in decisioning the Shamrock A.C. swinger. The Local 12 heavyweight displayed a marvelous comeback after hitting the canvas early in the fight.

The big boy looks better every time out and will be a definte threat in the coming Golden Gloves Tournament.

Fillion Wins

John Fillion, who won the YMCA Novice title last December, defeated Al Garza of Monroe in another feature bout. Fillion and Garcia met earlier in the season with the latter winning a hair-line victory. But this time it was all Fillion.

Classy little Art Tillis was another winner for Local 12 as he turned back John Vodessay of Detroit in a lightweight struggle. Tillis is another lad who has shown great improvement and looks stronger every time he fights.

The fourth Local 12 winner was Jerry Street, who looked very good in defeating Willard Trekow.

Lewis Thomas, Frank Soinske, Dick Meyers and Bill Kievens dropped decisions. Thomas and Soinske put up good fights and both lost on split decisions.

A TIP TO THE GUNNERS

In selecting a stock blank, or in choosing your rifle from several bolt action sporters on the store rack, remember that handsome is as handsome does, and that a pretty grain with lots of curlicues and color shadings does not necessarily mean a strong stock or an accurate rifle. Regardless of any figure that may exist in the butt section, beware of knotty sections forward of the comb, and shy away from a grain runing straight across the pistol grip so that fracture in a fall is likely.

A crooked or ornate grain structure in the forward part of the stock often indicates stresses within the wood, which increase the likelihood of warpage, and consequent inacuracy or impact shift in damp weather. Grain along the fore-end should preferably be dense and straight, possibly with a slight bend or bend or wave upward at the fore-end tip.

Tid Bits From The Sports Desk

By NORM MEYERS

ONE YEAR AGO IN SPORTS (January 1949) a syndicate of 100 Philadelphia business men purchased the National Football League champion Eagles from Alexis Thompson for $250,000. Norway's Olympic champion, Peter Hugsted, won the Norge Ski Club's 43rd annual jumping classic at Fox River Grove, Illinois. Herb McKenley of Jamacia bettered the world's record for 220 yards around a curve with a time of 21 seconds. Ralph Metcalfe's old mark was 21.2.

Norm Meyers

HERE AND THERE IN THE SPORTS WORLD

Neither Bob Fitzsimmons nor Jim Corbett ever fought in England. In the 1904 Olympics, held at St. Louis, Missouri, the United States won every one of the track and field events. We also won every one of the boxing events. Dave Sands of Australia holds the triple crown of boxing Down Under. Dave holds the middleweight, light-heavy and heavyweight titles of Australia. There are 11 umpires on the Honor Roll in baseball Hall of Fame at Coopertown, New York. Ted Williams drew 107 bases on balls in his first season in the big leagues in 1939.

On August 26, 1936, Gene Moore, Baxter Jordon, and Tony Cuccinello, all members of the Boston Braves, hit two doubles each in the first inning. Hal Chase, while playing with the New York American League club, back in 1906, made 22 putouts at first base. Baseball followers always knew that Joe DiMaggio could hit, field and field and run bases.

But they may be unaware of the fact that he has a distinctive, well-modulated voice and sounds like a real radio pro. His series of Saturday morning sport shows over CBS has convinced listeners he should stick around a mike if the Yankees ever let him go. Organized baseball's agreement to lift some of the restraints on broadcasting and telecasting of games should prove a break for fans living near big-league towns.

In the compromise between the Department of Justice and Happy Chandler's office, major-league clubs, which formerly could block out radio coverage of other games within a 50-mile radius, can now object only to broadcasts or telecasts that actually conflict with their home games.

BOWLING EVERYONE'S SPORT

Bowling is everyone's sport. It is not necessary to be a muscular giant, an amazon, or a finely trained athlete to roll that ball down the alley for the purpose of knocking over a few pins. Some 20,000,000 people in the United States, among them 3,000,000 women; use it for recreation and exercise. It looks simple enough to lift the 16-pound ball, take a few steps, and send it spining down the waxed chute in the direction of the pins that look so inviting at the other end. If you knock them all down, which is known to the trade as a strike, and you do it twelve successive times, you have achieved a 300 score, a perfect game.

The higher mathematicians have calculated that the odds against it are 300,000 to 1. The game has developed in the last half century to a point where the American Bowling Congress annually attracts 20,000 entries for its two months of competition. During the war, some American GIs constructed an alley in the jungles of New Guinea. They carved the ball and pins out of jungle hardwood, used gum oil instead of wax on an alley made from the floor of an abandoned missionary shack, and got some hard earned amusement while the shrapnel burst around them.

Like every other game there are those who bowl for fun, and those who achieve a degree of perfection that finds them in the front rank wherever the competition is hottest. Records of ABC tournaments are sprinkled with the names of Andy Varipapa, Joe Falcaro, Ned Day, Buddy Bomar and Joe Wilman. The same names are to be found in the list of winners of the individual match-game championship, a super-test held each December in Chicago and confined to less than 200 of the nation's top pinners. Competitors are selected in nation-wide eliminations. Varipapa, winner of the 1946 and 1947 titles, was dethroned last year by Connie Schwoegler of Madison, Wis.

Did you know that: the only heavyweight title bout held outside of the United States since the Willard-Johnson fight was the one between Carnera and Uzcudun?

Did you know that: two of baseball's greatest right-handed pitchers, Christy Mathewson and Grover Alexander ended their careers with the same number of victories.

Atlantic City Makes Debut In Sports Arena

Will Face Bucks In Hockey Tilt Sunday, Jan. 29

The Atlantic Sea Gulls hockey team makes its first appearance of the season at the Sports Arena Sunday night, January 29 at 8:30 P. M. In the lone encounter between Toledo and the resort center team the Bucks came up with a three to nothing shutout.

The Gulls started the season by losing their first seven starts before winning a game — but since they have added new player strength (at the time Baltimore withdrew from the League) they have won five and lost only two of their scheduled encounters.

The Eastern Hockey League race started with Grand Rapids drawing away from the rest of the League to establish a commanding lead. However, the Bucks of Toledo stayed close and now are within three games from the top. New York, after a tough road trip through the Western Division of the circuit, are in third place, while Milwaukee, after a slow start, have been literally burning up all opposition and are now close to New York for third place in the League.

In their last three starts against Grand Rapids the Clarks have taken all three, while Toledo has won two of their last three games against the League leaders.

Tickets for games may be purchased at the Sports Arena and at the B. R. Baker Company in downtown Toledo.

Weather Is Favorable To Mich. Pheasants

LANSING, Jan.—More favorable observing weather is believed partially responsible for the marked jump in the number of pheasant spotted by both rural mail carriers and conservation officers in their annual December survey.

Over 500 rural mail carriers reported seeing over 12,500 ringnecks, or four birds per hundred miles. In the 1948 December survey, 385 carriers observed nearly 4,000 birds, or 1.7 birds per hundred miles of checking.

Rural mailmen make their observation while on routine runs in the 38 counties which comprise the primary pheasant range.

Conservation officers also had the advantage of early and heavy December snowfall which made birds more visible. Officers saw 1,157 pheasant compared to 637 in December, 1948. This amounts to 3.3 birds per hundred miles as against 1.7 birds per hundred miles in the 1948 check.

Sex ratio, considering both surveys, shifted from one cock for every two hens to one cock for every three hens.

Mild weather during the early part of this winter has made it easy on the pheasant stock. With the break in the weather, the birds now are in a better position to face adverse conditions that still may come. They have had little trouble finding corn, giant ragweed and other seeds to tide them over.

Rock Again Tops Local 12 Bowlers

Journal Kegler Fashions A Fine 632; Pauline Proch Leads Ladies

Millie Blatt's Series Tops Feminine Wednesday Loop At Bowl-O-Drome Lanes

George Rock bowling with the Union oJurnal team in the Men's Monday leogue at the Bowl-O-Drome topped the two leagues again when he bettered his last week's total by 12 pins. He fashioned games of 181,205 and a 246 for the 632 series. And despite his high single game the Journal's lost that game to Region 2-B who had Randy Engelhardt shooting a creditable 582.

Leo Zielinski had 544 and Joe Walasinski a 542 to pace the PAC team to three wins over Standard Commutator. George Geis had best series for the Commutators.

Auto-Lite won three from Willys Flying Squadron No. 2 team with Matt Sobb rolling a 536 for the Lites and Cliff Miller high total for the Squadron team.

League leading DeVilbiss hung on to their lead with three over the Willys Squadron No. 1 Ralph Holey hit 548 for DeVilbiss and Clem Kukawinski a 559 for the Willys bunch.

Women's Wednesday League

In the women's Wednesday league Millie Blatt registered a 502 series to pace her team, Champion Sparks and the league as well. It helped her team to win three from Auto-Lite who had anchor Eva Brock contributing high total for the Lite's.

Willys Unit lost three games to American Can with Orpha Woodring hitting a 439 for the Can team. Jones shot 416 to lead Willys scoring.

Region 2-B, paced by Mae Ballard salvaged one game from the Champion Champs who had three bowlers over the 400 mark. Ruby Martin scored 414, Dora Tesch a 441 and Irene Strain a 411.

The two Hill girls, Jeannete and Angie topped the Toledo Stamping with Jeannette having 484 and Angie topping that total by 10 pins.

Men's Tuesday Loop

In the Men's Tuesday loop at the Marathon the leading Willys UAW team is feeling the hot breath of PAC who won three games while Willys was losing one to narrow the margin for the league lead to one game.

PAC added three wins from Swartzbaugh. George Baer counted a 563 total and Andy Dobrychowski, a 535 for the PAC team. John Rutkai had best series, a 532 for Swartzbaugh.

Leading Willys UAW to two wins were Leo Florkowski with 539, eGorge Rock, 531 and Leo Zielinski a 530 total. Leading the losing DeVilbiss was Val Warchel who had 541.

Toledo Steel Tube outdid their shop rivals, Russell for Council wining two games with Ed Quetschke registering a fine 583 for the Tubes while Steve Wasikowski was pacing the losers.

Bingham Stamping having Jim Czerniak in with 539 and Ed Machinski a 525 made it two from Toledo Pressed Steel having Ben Mikolczyk spilling 529 and Ken Cupps a 521.

Bee Gay Inn won one game from Willys Unit who had Earl Leffel up with a 582 and helped by Mel Aumiller's 546. Sig Uscolowski with 554 and Bill Borden a 526 were tops for the Inn team.

Willys CIO saw last place Toledo Stamping edging them out for one game. John Karnikowski and tSeve Nadolny were the big guns for the Stampers and Sam Weistein and Ed Many having best totals for the CIO team.

Women's Friday Loop

The leading PAC team in the Friday loop did not gain or lose ground in the torrid fight for the league lead. They maintained their first place lead over Auto-Lite by winning three games from Janis Press and second place Auto-Lite likewise thre game winners over DeVilbiss Rubber.

Pauline Proch paced Auto-Lite an dthe league with a 528 series. Lee Spross had best total for the DeVilbiss team.

Hazel Gray counted the best series for PAC with 461 and Ruth Abt was best for the Press team having rolled 451.

Willys Unit won two games from DeVilbiss Spray. Willys' Vickie Price barely missed the 500 mark having hit a 491 total. Isabelle Kozlowski was not far off hitting a 486 for the same team. Ann Veres was top bowler for DeVilbiss with 426.

Standard Comutator bounced back in the won column with two wins from Lakeside Biscuit. Angie Hill led the Commutators with 444 and Hazel Frisch contributed best series for Lakeside.

Four Masters Of Grid Technique

Carl Snavely:

One of the games finest teachers, Carl Snavely adheres to the single wing attack at North Carolina University. Noted as a prep school coach at Kiski and Bellefonte, Snavely moved to Bucknell, then to North Carolina, to Cornell and back to the Tar Heels. Those teams have won 70 percent of their games, tutored by the 55 year old Nebraskan.

Madison "Matty" Bell:

Long before his acquired Doak Walker, Madison "Matty" Bell of Southern Methodist was producing sparkling football teams. A member of the famed Centre College Team "Prayin' Colonels" who upset Harvard in 1919, Bell coached at Haskell Institute, Carroll, T. C. U. and Texas A. & M. before he became Mustang' head coach 14 years ago.

Wallace Wade:

Wallace Wade's postwar difficulties at Duke failed to do justice to his brilliant overall record as a college mentor. Before he went into the Army, his Blue Devil elevens lost only 13 games in nine years, two of them Rose Bowl games. A graduate of Brown, Wade coached Vanderbilt and Alabama before he became head man of Durham in "31".

DeOrmond "Tuss" McLaughry:

DeOrmond "Tuss" McLaughry one of the most respected of the football coaching fraternity, graduated from Westminster, coached at his alma mater, at Amherst, and Brown before he went to Dartmouth in 1941. He took time out for two wars and one of his more famous elevens was Brown's undefeated "iron men" of 1926.

Did you know that: that when Charley Coe defeated Rufus King, 11 and 10, for the national amateur golf championship, that was the second largest tally ever rolled up in a final of that tournament. The widest margin was the win by Charles MacDonald over Charles E. Sands, 12 and 11 in 1895, first national tournament.

IN THIS CORNER

with E. C. "RED" MAC DONALD

ONCE every year or two Toledo is host to a great sporting attraction—such a show is the one scheduled Tuesday night in the Sports Arena.

Nothing has been skipped by promoter Pat Thurkettle and his aids in planning, what we believe, will be the finest boxing show seen here in many years. It can't help to be good with the cast Thurkettle has signed.

Truly, the entertainment is just what the placards say, "Madison Square Garden Comes to Toledo."

But wait, let us not forget the best thing of the program. Proceeds from the fights will be turned over to PAL. That's the Police Athletic League, an organization which provides recreation for the kids.

This fact alone is reason enough to fill the arena. PAL is not something strictly Toledo, but is an active civic-minded group working in many of the large American cities.

WE HERE in Toledo are indeed fortunate that local police officials have joined the PAL bandwagon. It is one which leads straight to better citizenship.

The four 10-round bouts arranged by Thurkettle, who is responsible for top-notch boxing returning here, all stack up to be crowd-pleasers. Any one of the four would probably be sufficient to carry a good boxing card.

For example, a bout featuring Archie Moore and Bert Lytell, supplemented by a few preliminaries, would be well-worth the price of admission. But when you have three more 10-rounders of the same calibre on the card — well, it's just hard to believe.

One just can't imagine Jimmy Flood, Lou Valles, Artie King, Raphael Lastra, Herbie Kronowitz and Kid Alfonso all appearing on the same program.

Incidentally, Flood is the boy Eastern writers have called the new Mickey Walker. He has built up a great record and is said to be the sole support of his mother and family.

IT WILL also be interesting to to watch Kid Alfonso. The kid will be meeting his toughest test to date in Herbie Kronowitz. A victory for the Monroe clouter will place him high on the ring ladder.

Moore, of course, will be the center of much attention as the likeable Archie has built up a small army of fans here. And who knows, if Archie should win this one he might get a crack at the new light-heavyweight champ, Joe Maxim. He certainly deserves it.

Yes, sir, there's no getting around it PALS, Thurkettle, the Toledo Times and all the other individuals and organizations behind the show have gone out and put Toledo on the map of big time boxing.

As one fellow put it last week, "Missing this card would be as bad as losing a winning slip on a 4-horse parley."

AAU Basketball Tourney March 3

District Entries Being Accepted By City Recreation Division

Entries for the Northwestern Ohio District A.A.U. Basketball tournament to be staged in the high schools here the week of Feb. 6 are now being received at the City Recreation Division, it was announced today by Arthur G. Morse, tournament secretary.

The first team to enter is the Mike Smith Taverns of the Eastern League of the Toledo Amateur Federation. Last year 39 teams participated and the title was won by the Laingor Comercial Art School quintet, which defeated the Cliff Nelson Coals. The Coals won the championship in 1948.

Entry fee is $10 per team and includes registration of ten men in the A.A.U. All entries must be in by Feb. 2 when the drawing will be held.

The winner and runnerup will be eligible to compete in the Ohio A.A.U. in Toledo on March 3-4-5. The Ohio winner will then be sent to the National A.A.U. tournament in Denver, Colo. the latter part of March.

All amateur teams in Toledo and Northwestern Ohio may compete in this well supervised event. Entry blanks may be obtained at the City Welfare Office, 214 Safety Building, from Mr. Morse or Eddie Evans, assistant recreation supervisor.

A TIP FOR THE FLY CASTER

Fly lines start to show dark spots when the finish begins to crack off. Actually, the line ma ybe in perfect shape except for the normal cracking area, about nine or ten feet in front of the line point. Get some Dupon-Dulux clear varnish and a large darning needle; spread the varnish in thin coats over the dark areas with the needle point. Make certain you apply very small amounts; it is better to dip the needle several times than to remove excess amounts. Allow each coat to dry one or two days.

Did You Know?

That in 1936, Alfred University failed to win a game and scored only 12 points to its opponents 159. The next season, Alfred did not lose a game and scored 168 points to its opponents 31. That in 1921 the Washington Senators set a record for most batters being hit by pitched balls. The Nats had 59 batters reaching first base the hard way. That Horace Rawlings, who won the second United States Open in 1895, was the youngest to ever win this title. He was only 19. Sammy Snead was the oldest ever to win the PGA title. Sam was 37 when he won the crown this year.

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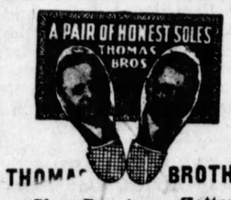

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